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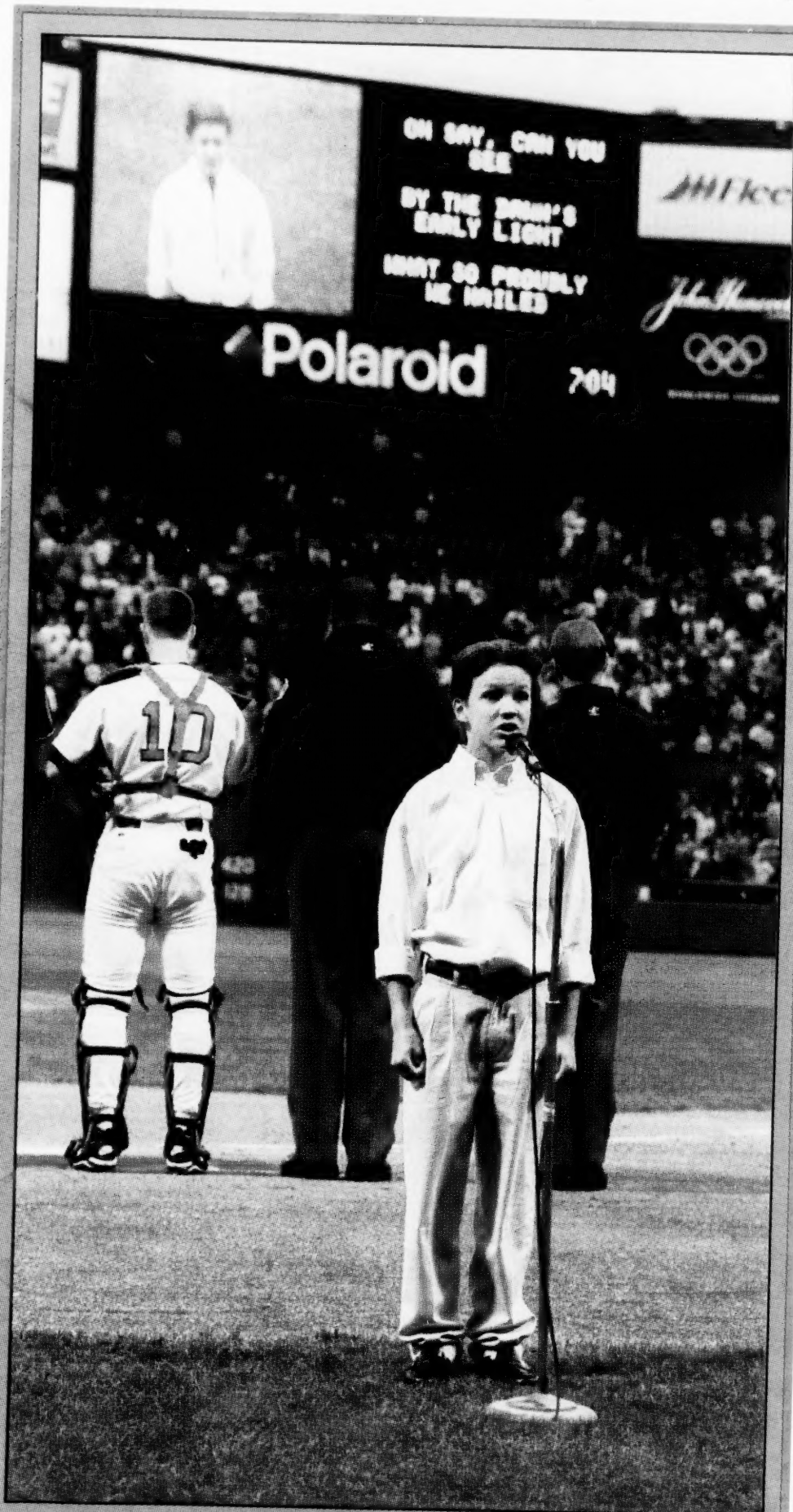


Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Andover's Martin Johnson, who will be 12 in September, said he didn't feel any butterflies in his stomach when he belted out the National Anthem before the Red Sox-A's game last Thursday night, July 24. Threatening thunderstorms cooperated and allowed Martin and Sox catcher Scott Hatteberg (wearing No. 10) to "get their work in." (Story, page 25).

'Your trash ain't nothin' but cash'

Trash decision looming for Andover selectmen

Recommendation Monday
By Neil Fater

Andover is throwing out money with its trash – and it's up to selectmen to figure out the best way for the town to do so.

To state the issue quickly, Andover taxpayers are paying more than double the state average of \$40 per ton to dispose of trash because Andover is a member of the North

East Solid Waste Committee (NESWC). By the end of its current NESWC contract in 2005, officials predict Andover will be spending more on trash than it will spend this year on school technology, the town library or new capital projects.

"It's going to get so bad over the next five years that we could have to do an override just to cover our

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Metzemaekers, AHS '70, is new director of Housing Authority

By Neil Fater

Hoping to foster a better sense of community at the Andover Housing Authority, the housing commission Monday named a new director originally from the Andover community.

Christine Poschen Metzemaekers, a 1970 graduate of Andover High, has been selected as the authority's fifth executive director in less than two years. Acting director Colleen O'Connor, two-time interim director Sharon Pollard, and recently resigned director Ken



Christine P.
Metzemaekers

Dorrance all have led the authority since Nancy Marcoux left Andover about a year and a half ago.

"I think the first order of business will be to create a real sense of community," said Ms. Metzemaekers, Tuesday. "To make a successful home for the residents, and a successful home in general, is really a joint effort. Input from everybody is always helpful."

Commission members indicated they'll need Ms. Metzemaekers to

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AHS passes test, says fire dept.

By Neil Fater

Smoke may be clearing on problems at Andover High School, from the fire department's point of view.

Stating the upper lobby area passed a new smoke evacuation test Tuesday, Deputy Fire Chief Chuck Murnane said he doesn't foresee the

fire department having any reason to delay the opening of school.

"The way it stands now we don't have any life-safety issues," said Dep. Murnane. "We just don't anticipate any problem for the opening of school."

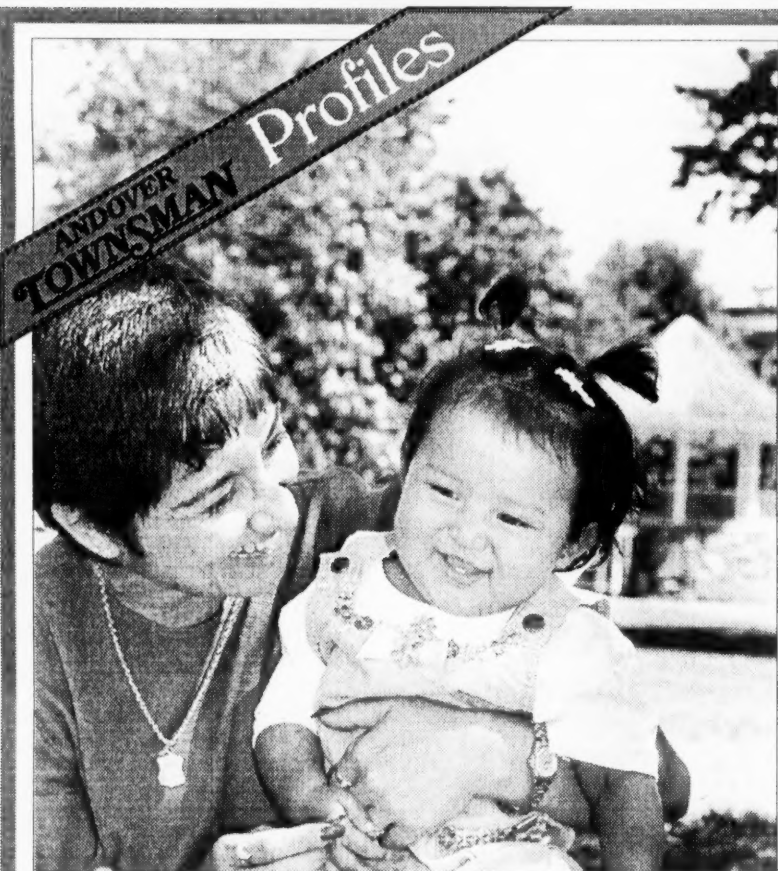
Work does still need to be done in

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'A breath of fresh air'

By Tamar Carroll

Gladys Aquino-Gaines feels like she has been given a new lease on life once again.

This 39-year-old Starwood Crossing resident is commander of the Domestic Violence Unit of the Boston Police Department and the mother of three sons: Shawn, 15, Stephen, 14, and Kevin, 12.

Diagnosed with cancer six years ago, Ms. Aquino-Gaines believes that the disease has been a gift "because it re-rooted us."

She and her husband, Paul Gaines, a Boston Police Officer, now have one more reason to be "re-rooted" — they recently adopted a baby girl, Natasha Rubi, from Guatemala.

The Gaines family first found out that Natasha would be put up for adoption in September. At that point, Ms. Aquino-Gaines said, even though they had always hoped for a baby girl, the decision to adopt was not immediate.

"We did not know if it was the right thing for her, with my illness," Ms. Aquino-Gaines said. "But we were able to interrupt the process of her going into an orphanage."

The Gaines decided to begin the 9-month-long adoption process, while a childhood friend of Ms. Aquino-Gaines served as Natasha's foster parent.

Two weeks ago, Ms. Aquino-Gaines flew down to Guatemala where she, too, was born, and spent a week there with Natasha, before

bringing her home to Andover.

"We bonded in such a way, it was amazing," Ms. Aquino-Gaines said. "She took a liking to all of us. I can't believe how truly this was meant to be."

Natasha is 11 months old, adjusting well to her new home and family, and in perfect health, the Gaines family is happy to report.

"I will tell you that Natasha has been a breath of fresh air," Ms. Aquino-Gaines said. "Natasha has once again reminded us of how important life is. She has given us yet another reason to continue to fight the battle."

Ms. Aquino-Gaines said that her sons and her husband are just as thrilled about Natasha as she is.

"The boys have been wonderful for her," Ms. Aquino-Gaines said. "I have three great helpers and a daddy who has melted over the fact that he has got a girl now."

One of her hopes for Natasha, Ms. Aquino-Gaines said, is that she will never have to face the disease that she is living with every day.

"Cancer is something I hope she never has to go through," Ms. Aquino-Gaines said. "I hope that she has a happy, fulfilling and healthy life."

To that end, Ms. Aquino-Gaines is planning to shave her head in a show of support for chemotherapy patients and walk alongside other police officers Oct. 5 in the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer walk in Boston.

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Andover Public Schools registration dates set

The following are the registration dates of students new to Andover who plan to attend Andover Public Schools in September: Bancroft School, Aug. 18-22; Sanborn School, Aug. 28 and 29; South School, Aug. 28 and 29; West Elementary School, Aug. 18-22. Middle schools and high school are by appointment.

The hours of registration are from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

SHED has a few limited openings

SHED, the extended-day enrichment program for Andover's kindergartners, has limited openings for the fall. People lined up 18 hours in advance at SHED's registration in May. Everyone was accommodated except some families who needed the late afternoon hours, which filled quickly. SHED does, however, have a few openings for the hours before afternoon kindergarten or after morning kindergarten until 3 p.m.

Nothing is available after 3.

SHED provides enrichment activities, promotes social development and stimulates problem-solving skills. The program is located at Shawsheen School; transportation is provided to and from neighborhood schools.

For more information or to enroll for the fall, call Sydney Bialo at 623-8460.

Rep. Finegold sets office hours

State Rep. Barry Finegold, D-Andover, will hold office hours today, Thursday, July 31, at the Andover Senior Center at Whittier Court from



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Andover resident Carolyn Abagis of Chandler Road, profiled by the *Andover Townsman* for producing a housework-workout video, demonstrates her aerobic lawnmowing technique to a German video crew, filming at her house Tuesday for their version of the TV show *Inside Edition*. From left are interviewer Jeanette Lang, Ingo Wickop, who is helping cameraman Syara Kareb, and Ms. Abagis. This was her third taping for different German television shows this week. To find out more about the workout, visit her new website: www.lean-n-clean.com/.

8:30-9:30 a.m. For more information, contact Rep. Finegold at (617) 722-2575; Statehouse, Room 146, Boston, Mass. 02133; or send e-mail to: Rep.BarryFinegold@state.ma.us/.

Keep cool and save

As summer temperatures and humidity soar, the demand for electricity in New England increases dramatically as we try to stay cool. Electricity supplies are tighter than usual this year, with four of the region's largest power plants temporarily out of operation. One of the steps Massachusetts Electric has taken to ensure maximum availability of sum-

mer power supplies is to reinstate its Appliance Removal Program.

The cost of running a freezer or second refrigerator can be as much as \$200 annually, especially for older, less efficient models. Now through the end of September, Massachusetts Electric residential customers can have units removed from their homes free of charge, saving energy and money. The appliances are disposed of in an environmentally-friendly manner, with many parts recycled.

For more information about the program or to schedule an appointment, call 1-800-962-3930 Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Quote, unquote . . .

'Why doesn't someone call Channel 2 and ask them to make it a *This Old House* project? I'm sure that with Steve, Norm and the gang on the job, things will get straightened out fast.

Bill Sullivan, in a letter about the AHS project, page 27

'The Teacher's Association needs assurances that the school will not reopen until sufficient measures have been taken so that the site is safe to occupy.

A.E.A. president Tom Meyers, saying teachers have demanded to bargain about the conditions at AHS, in a letter, page 27

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Scouts travel to Jamboree

By Tamar Carroll

How would you like to spend your summer vacation swinging on a rope over a 30-foot mud hole, rappelling off a tower, and living in a tent for a week? For these Andover Boy Scouts, a trip to the National Scout Jamboree, complete with all of that, is a dream come true.

Over 20 Boy Scouts from Andover left this past Sunday, July 27, to travel to the National Scout Jamboree at Fort A.P. Hill, Va.

The Scouts, accompanied by leaders James Kearns, of Mohawk Road, and John Kohr, of Boston Road, will join 35,000 other Boy Scouts from all over the U.S. and 31 foreign countries in a week long

celebration of Scouting.

The Andover Scouts, accompanied by about 80 other Scouts aged 11 to 17 from around the Merrimack Valley, traveled by bus to the Jamboree, which is held every four years at Fort A.P. Hill.

The Scouts arrived at Fort A.P. Hill on Monday and set up their campsite for the week. During their stay there, the boys will cook their own food and share duties such as fire-making and dish-washing.

The Jamboree kicked off Tuesday with a massive opening ceremony and for the rest of the week, the boys will be kept busy with lots of activities, including canoeing, archery,

kayaking, scuba diving and snorkeling.

Mr. Kearns said that the organizers of the event even set up a ski slope with man-made snow so the Scouts could have skiing lessons.

"It is really well organized," Mr. Kearns said. "Each troop also does a demonstration of skills. We're doing cooking, so we'll be making corn bread in a Dutch oven. We'll also show ways Scouts can measure distances and heights."

The boys in his troop will watch other Scouts demonstrate skills such as knot-tying, orienteering at night and fire-

making, Mr. Kearns said.

The Scouts are also able to work on earning their merit badges at the Jamboree, and attend nightly shows featuring stars such as country music singer Louise Mandrell.

Luke Larson, 14, of Lansbury Lane, is a member of St. Robert's Troop 79 and is excited to attend his first Jamboree. Luke said he is looking forward the most to scuba diving and checking out the "extreme action" areas, which feature the mud hole and other activities.

"I'm excited because it should be a lot of good fun," said Luke, who is entering the eighth

grade at West Middle School. "You get to meet a whole score of people from all over the world."

Luke, like the rest of the Scouts who are attending the Jamboree, began planning for the trip last September. He helped finance the approximately \$1,000 cost of the trip with his paper route.

"It's not cheap, but it should be worth it, I think," Luke said.

Luke is also looking forward to the trip home, when the Scouts from the Yankee Clipper Council will stop to tour Washington, D.C. for two days. The Scouts will stay at Fort Belvoir, an army base in Virginia, and

visit the Smithsonian Institute, the Pentagon, and the FBI and CIA headquarters.

To top the trip off, the Scouts will hit the Six Flags Great Adventure Theme Park in New Jersey before returning home on Friday, August 8.

Matthew Bularzik, 13, of Messina Drive, belongs to Troop 77 and is also attending his first Jamboree.

"The whole thing is going to be fun," said Matthew, who is entering the eighth grade at Doherty Middle School. "I really want to see D.C., the Smithsonian and all that stuff."

Matthew said he sold flowers and can-

dy bars to raise money for the trip.

"My Mom's helping me out, too," Matthew said.

Raymond Bill, 12, of Wabanaki Way, said he was bringing a stack of New England patches to trade with Scouts from other parts of the country and across the globe.

"I am bringing pins, patches and all sorts of stuff from New England to trade for patches or pins from other areas of the country or the world," said Raymond, who is entering the seventh grade at West Middle School. "It will be a good experience trading the patches and meeting people from around the world."

Two Community Summer Sings

The New England Classical Singers, with music director David Tierney, will host two Community Summer Sings. Faure's *Requiem* will be the featured work Wednesday, Aug. 13, and Vivaldi's *Gloria* and Schubert's *Mass in G* will be performed Wednesday, Aug. 20. The community is welcome to attend these open sings at Faith Lutheran Church, 360 S. Main St. (Route 28), at 7:30 p.m.

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No picnic for Nashoba

By Neil Fater

Joe and Denise Berrese's recent picnic was no picnic for their dog, Nashoba. But thanks to the quick work of two Andover Animal Hospital doctors, the picnic wasn't the dog's last meal, either.

"They did surgery on him for hours and it was so unbelievable, the service they gave. They were there until midnight," said Joe Berrese, who couldn't say enough about the veterinarians' work. "To me, it was unbelievable how much they care."

More than two weeks ago, Nashoba got his paws and jaws around a couple of corncobs and managed to swallow the treasures before his owners could stop him.

Joe and Denise watched Nashoba, but the two-year-old

Golden Retriever showed no ill effects... until last Thursday, nearly two weeks later.

When Denise Berrese returned home that day, July 24, she found Nashoba suffering from a corncob that was blocking and threatening to rupture his small intestine. He had vomited another cob the same day.

"He was not unconscious, but he was lying on the floor and he had vomited all over the place," says Mr. Berrese, of Dufton Road.

Denise Berrese called the Andover Animal Hospital and then brought the pet there. Veterinarian Lori Gordon says cobs are dangerous because they can rip a pet's esophagus, stomach or intestines. If the cob had poked a hole in Nashoba's intestine, the abdomen

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Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Convalescing comfortably at home - Joe and Denise Berrese's dogs, Nashoba (left) and his pal Roxie, hang out on the couch at home. Nashoba is recovering from his corncob-ectomy.

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would have become infected and the dog could have gone into shock and died, she said.

"Fortunately they (the owners) were very conscientious owners and brought the dog in right away when they saw symptoms," said John Ledoux, veterinarian. "Corncocks - if they waited another day or two - could have been extremely dangerous."

The doctors believe the cob

sloshed around Nashoba's stomach for two weeks before it found its way into the small intestine and blocked the digestive system. Still, said Dr. Gordon, "It's really amazing he didn't show any signs for two weeks."

The operation

When he arrived at the Lowell Street animal hospital, Nashoba was extremely depressed, hypothermic, dehydrated, and nauseous, said Dr. Gordon.

"The dog was extremely

lethargic. On examining the dog you could actually feel the corncob and feel where it was stuck," said Dr. Ledoux.

The doctors spent 45 minutes preparing Nashoba for surgery and then operated. Nashoba was cut "from stem to stern," the equivalent of a human being cut from the rib cage to the belly button, said Dr. Ledoux.

Nashoba is now doing fine and after 10 days his 15 external sutures can be removed, said Dr. Ledoux.

Mr. Berrese said he was

shocked not by what the animal hospital workers did last Thursday night, but by the way they did it. Joe and Denise Berrese were allowed to stay until Nashoba was clearly out of the woods.

"It (the actual surgery) wasn't done until 10:30 or 11 p.m. and we had pizza and they let us stay," said Mr. Berrese. "There were a whole bunch of people who were coming out and giving us progress reports all night. One doctor, Dr. Gordon, had just worked all day and she had gotten home, but

she came back and worked all night."

The doctors downplayed their efforts.

"As far as the attention given, we service people 24 hours a day and this was an emergency. It was very busy (last Thursday) night," said Dr. Gordon. "Everybody here always knows they can call me to do a surgery. That's what I do."

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him," said Dr. Ledoux. "This is what it's all about for us."

The doctors said that because they own their own animals, they understand how important a pet can be.

"We certainly do. That's how we feel about our animals, I guess, and the Barreses feel

the same way about theirs," said Dr. Gordon.

Dr. Gordon has a 17-year-old lab-shepherd mix named Jessica Blue that she also calls "my baby," while Dr. Ledoux has two young cats. He rescued one from the MSPCA, and he adopted another that was hit by a car and abandoned at the animal hospital.

He named the cats Mo and

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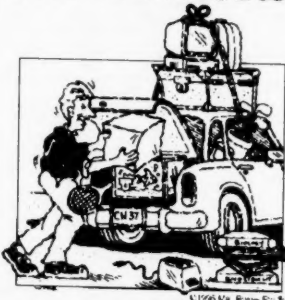
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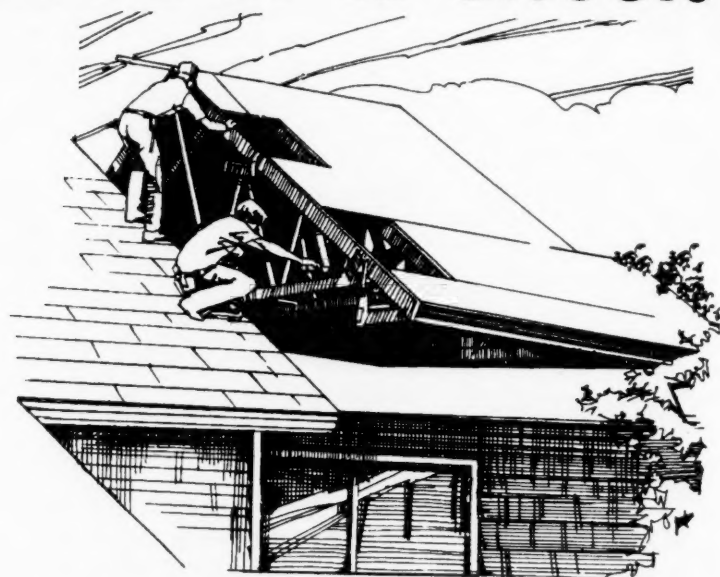
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would have become infected and the dog could have gone into shock and died, she said.

"Fortunately they (the owners) were very conscientious owners and brought the dog in right away when they saw symptoms," said John Ledoux, veterinarian. "Corncobs - if they waited another day or two - could have been extremely dangerous."

The doctors believe the cob

sloshed around Nashoba's stomach for two weeks before it found its way into the small intestine and blocked the digestive system. Still, said Dr. Gordon, "It's really amazing he didn't show any signs for two weeks."

The operation

When he arrived at the Lowell Street animal hospital, Nashoba was extremely depressed, hypothermic, dehydrated, and nauseous, said Dr. Gordon.

"The dog was extremely

lethargic. On examining the dog you could actually feel the corncob and feel where it was stuck," said Dr. Ledoux.

The doctors spent 45 minutes preparing Nashoba for surgery and then operated. Nashoba was cut "from stem to stern," the equivalent of a human being cut from the rib cage to the belly button, said Dr. Ledoux.

Nashoba is now doing fine and after 10 days his 15 external sutures can be removed, said Dr. Ledoux.

Mr. Berrese said he was

shocked not by what the animal hospital workers did last Thursday night, but by the way they did it. Joe and Denise Berrese were allowed to stay until Nashoba was clearly out of the woods.

"It (the actual surgery) wasn't done until 10:30 or 11 p.m. and we had pizza and they let us stay," said Mr. Berrese. "There were a whole bunch of people who were coming out and giving us progress reports all night. One doctor, Dr. Gordon, had just worked all day and she had gotten home, but

she came back and worked all night."

The doctors downplayed their efforts.

"As far as the attention given, we service people 24 hours a day and this was an emergency. It was very busy (last Thursday) night," said Dr. Gordon. "Everybody here always knows they can call me to do a surgery. That's what I do."

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The doctors said that because they own their own animals, they understand how important a pet can be.

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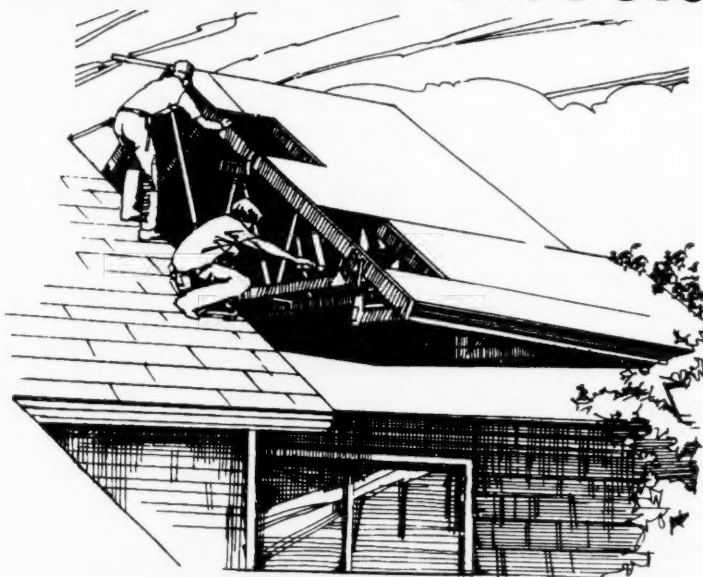
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Pastoral counselor opens practice

Anita Zompa of Andover, pastoral counselor and certified addiction specialist, has announced her new full-time counseling practice in the Merrimack Valley area.

Ms. Zompa has a wide range of clinical experience over the past nine years in the assessment

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Nonprofits hit power save

Several nonprofit groups in Andover, including Phillips Academy, Professional Center for Handicapped Children Inc. and Northeast Document Conservation Center, have signed on with PowerOptions, a statewide group of nonprofit organizations that have formed a purchasing collaborative to seek group discounts on energy.

Local organizations joining with other nonprofits will have the opportunity to potentially save a substantial amount of money in energy costs. The deregulation of the energy industry will introduce competitive pricing and consumer choice into the marketplace Jan. 1, 1998.

"Nonprofits are facing smaller and smaller budgets today," said Robert J. Ciolek, executive director of the Massachusetts Health and Educational Facilities Authority (HEFA). "A decrease in their electric bills is a painless cut that will allow them to allocate more funds to performing their missions. No one can predict what the savings will be, but we expect the discount to be in the range of 10-20 percent off current rates."

PowerOptions has signed on more than 4,230 members, including large educational and health care institutions and small cultural organizations. These groups represent more than 165 megawatts of buying power, spending more than \$100 million annually.

By joining PowerOptions, nonprofits become part of a large group that will be a major purchasing force, able to negotiate the lowest energy rates.

The PowerOptions consortium was formed by HEFA in September 1996, to secure the most reliable electricity source at the lowest possible cost for its nonprofit members.

HEFA is an independent public authority created in 1968 to assist nonprofit health, educational and cultural institutions to borrow funds at tax-exempt rates. For more information, visit HEFA's web site at <http://www.mhefa.state.ma.us/hefa/>.

Family Service Association accredited

Family Service Association of Greater Lawrence (Family Service) has received a new certificate of accreditation from the Council on Accreditation Services for Families and Children.

Kay Berthold Frishman, executive director, announced that the agency has been welcomed to the "Community of Excellence," a group of providers that meet the highest standards for professional performance.



Speed demons — David Nesbitt, senior vice president for North and South American sales of Vicor Corporation, welcomes University of California students and Future Car Challenge winners Richard Carlson, Brian Johnson and Marcus Alexander.

Vicor hosts 'Car Challenge' participants

Three students from the University of California at Davis recently celebrated their victory at the "Future Car Challenge" with a visit to Vicor Corporation's automated manufacturing plant in Andover. The company is one of the event's long-time sponsors.

Vicor hosted Brian Johnston, UC Davis Future Car Challenge coordinator, and two of his associates. Led by Dave Nesbitt, senior vice president of North and South American sales, several hundred employees learned about the alternative vehicle's design and test drove the car.

The "Future Car Challenge," sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy and the Council for Automotive Research, is an "over-the-road

endurance" event for university teams involved in gas alternative vehicle design projects. The two-day challenge tests the hybrid vehicle's physical attributes and engineering design.

Vicor sponsors the involvement of UC Davis and more than 50 other universities and colleges in alternative vehicle projects by supplying them DC-DC converter modules and accessories. These modules are used to power all the alternative vehicle's auxiliary items, such as radio, windshield wipers, power windows, and air conditioning.

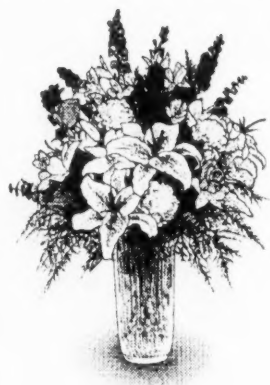
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Lawyer honored for 50 years

During a recent ceremony at the Massachusetts Bar Association headquarters in Boston, Maurice Schwartz of Andover received a plaque from President Kenneth J. Vacovec commemorating his 50 years as a lawyer. When Mr. Schwartz was admitted to

the bar in 1947, there were 9,000 lawyers. Today there are 55,000 people admitted to the bar.

Ob/gyn opens new practice

Marie C. Lemonnier, an obstetrician-gynecologist, has opened a practice at 203 Turnpike (Route 114), Suite 115, North Andover. She is affiliated with Holy Family Hospital and Lawrence General Hospital.

Her special interests are high risk obstetrics, colposcopy, vulvar disease, adolescent and adult gynecology and menopause.

Dr. Lemonnier was an assistant clinical professor at Montreal University for 10 years and had a private practice there.

She is accepting new patients and takes major health plan insurance. For more information, call 681-4505.

Radio reporter wins award

Lee-Anne Carmichael Leverone of WOKQ/WPKQ/WXBB, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Carmichael of Andover, won awards in the documentary category for news series in the New Hampshire Associated Press Broadcasters Association competition.

The Andover High School graduate received first place for "Domestic Violence" and honorable mention for "Women in Business," both series broadcast on morning and afternoon newscasts.

Petty Officer Hinckley commended

Navy Senior Chief Petty Officer Robert J. Hinckley, son of Robert O. Hinckley of Waverly Road, recently

received the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.

He was recognized for his outstanding achievement while serving as cryptologic chief with *Commander, Training Command Pacific Fleet*, San Diego. The award was given for his initiative and contribution in helping the command fulfill its mission.

The 1976 Andover High School graduate joined the Navy in April 1979.

Lt. Corkery commissioned

Tadg F. Corkery, son of George W. and Virginia Corkery of 14 Cuba St., has been commissioned as a second lieutenant through the Army Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) program. The 1993 graduate of Andover High School received a bachelor's degree from the University of Delaware, Newark.

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POLICE LOG

ARRESTS

Wednesday, July 23 - At 7:38 a.m., Alfredo Rivera, 28, of Wells Street, Lawrence, was arrested on Essex Street and charged with driving an uninsured vehicle with revoked plates, and on another motor vehicle warrant.

At 11:55 a.m., a Brundrett Avenue caller reported a male wearing a blue T-shirt and baggy jeans was trying to steal a bike. An officer arrested a 16-year-old Andover male and charged him with larceny of property over \$250.

At 10:12 p.m., Patrick J. Driscoll, 18, of Dracut Street, Lawrence, was arrested on North Main Street and charged with driving under the influence of liquor. A 20-year-old Lawrence man was also placed in protective custody.

About the same time, a 15-year-old Andover male was arrested on Salem Street and charged with unlicensed and unauthorized use of a vehicle.

At 10:52 p.m., Lary S. Ellstein, 51, of Bramley Hill Road was arrested on Lowell Street and charged with failing to stay in marked lanes, running a red light, and driving under the influence of alcohol.

Thursday, July 24 - At 2:31 a.m., Colum P. Moran, 18, of Woodland Street, Lawrence, was arrested on Shawsheen Road on a federal felony warrant for military desertion.

At 9:07 p.m., after a large gathering of youths was reported at West Elementary School, an officer arrested John Beanland, 17, of 112 High Street, and charged him as a minor transport-

ing or carrying alcohol.

At 10:52 p.m., Johnathan J. David, 25, of Boston Road, Chelmsford, was arrested while traveling southbound on Route 495 and charged with attaching plates to and driving an unregistered and uninsured vehicle with a revoked license, and with receiving stolen property worth \$250 or less.

Friday, July 25 - At 9:43 a.m., Jeffrey Lavin, 26, of Ferry Street, Hampton, N.H., was arrested on North Main Street and charged with running a red light and driving with a license revoked because of drunk driving.

At 2:59 p.m., Kathryn T. Suter, of Albion Street, Methuen, 23, was arrested on Railroad Street and charged with attaching plates to and driving an unregistered and uninsured vehicle with a suspended license.

Saturday, July 26 - At 1:33 a.m., after a report from a train that someone was sleeping near the tracks by Haverhill Street, a 28-year-old Andover man was taken into protective custody.

At 2:15 a.m., Miguel A. Reyes, 28, of Arch Avenue, Haverhill was arrested while traveling northbound on Route 495 and charged with receiving stolen property worth \$250 or less, and with attaching plates to and driving and unregistered car with a suspended license.

Sunday, July 27 - At 1:04 a.m., after the report of a loud party, an officer went to Johnson Road and requested back up. After a full-shift response, David M. Poulo, 21, of 23 Johnson Road, and Stephen M. Mon-

stur, of O'Neil Street, Hudson, were arrested and charged with being disorderly. A 21-year-old New York man was placed in protective custody.

At 9:38, an officer at Recreation Park reported having a 16-year-old Andover male under arrest for being a minor transporting alcohol.

Tuesday, July 29 - At 1:44 a.m., Matthew R. Curran, 22, of Lincoln Street, North Andover was arrested on Route 125 and charged with driving an uninsured vehicle with a suspended license after the license plates were revoked.

INCIDENTS

Wednesday, July 23 - At 3:23 a.m., a School Street caller reported someone was in the caller's garage and then fled on foot. An officer reported nothing was missing.

At 11:55 a.m., a concerned Central Street employee reported a co-worker had not been to work for three days. An officer went to the worker's house but found no one there.

At 12:05 p.m., a housekeeper reported finding money strewn around a Wyncrest Circle home. An officer reported a family member had spilled the money during the weekend and did not clean it up.

At 8:15 p.m., a sergeant was to file on a dog bite at Porter Road.

At 9:02 p.m., an Andover woman called to say her teenage niece had left a note that she was running away and had left through a window.

At 10:32 p.m., a pool shed fire was

discovered on Bridle Path Road and the fire department was notified.

At 10:38 p.m., an officer reported a gathering at West Elementary School.

At 11:19 p.m., a woman reported a large gathering at Bancroft School and lots of noise. An officer arrived to find "kids everywhere, even on the roof." The youths scattered before more officers arrived.

Thursday, July 24 - At 2:04 a.m., police responded to calls about two speeding vehicles. The police lost the cars during a chase but found them at a Wildwood Road home. Police said people at the address would not cooperate or say who had been driving the cars and no charges were filed.

At 1:39 p.m., a River Road business' manager called to report one of his employees being harassed by another employee's husband.

Friday, July 25 - At 9:23 a.m., a dog bite was reported on Abbot Street.

At 10:36 a.m., an ambulance was sent to Shawsheen Road for a Andover High School worker who fell from a scaffolding.

At 4:07 p.m., a caller reported a white male exposing himself on Dascomb Road near the exit ramp from Interstate 93 North. An officer could not find the man.

At 10:39 p.m., a Framingham man reported his 1993 Mercury stolen from the Ramada Inn parking lot. He called back at 1:02 a.m. to say the car hadn't been stolen, he had just parked it in a different spot.

Saturday, July 26 - At 11:35 a.m., a

Foster Street woman reported someone shot a pellet through her window. An officer was to file a report on holes in the window.

At 7:59 p.m., an 84-year-old man who thought he had come out of the woods, didn't know his name and appeared very confused was reported at Merrimack College. Security later reported the man "seems to be coming around and is starting to remember who he is."

At 8:56 p.m., an officer asked some youths to move from behind West Elementary.

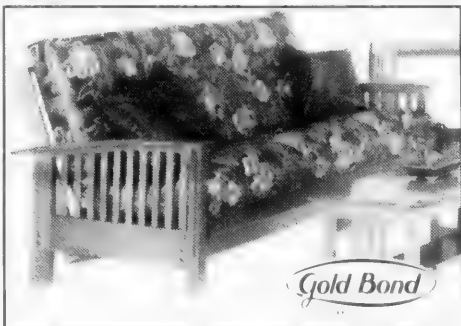
At 11:45 p.m., a group was moved from a parking lot on Stevens Street after one youth knocked on the front door of Marland Place and then took off when a nurse came to the door.

Sunday, July 27 - At 4:29 a.m., Beverly police requested that an Andover officer check on a Blueberry Hill Road home for a car police thought was involved in a drive-by shooting. An Andover officer reported the car was not at the Blueberry Hill Road address, and Beverly reported a short time later that they found the car unoccupied in Beverly. Andover police were to relay the message that their Beverly counterparts wanted to speak with the owners of that car.

At 4:18 p.m., an officer was gathering information regarding a possible assault at Brookside Drive.

Monday, July 28 - At 6:03 a.m., a Shawsheen Road woman reported that her son was being harassed by a female. Last week, a toilet seat was

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left on the family's lawn, said the woman. Today, she said the same person left a dead skunk on the hood of his car.

At 4:16 p.m., a security guard for a Tech Drive company reported two females told him that while they were walking at lunch time they saw a naked man. According to the log, "they were not able to give a description."

At 5:37 p.m., a Wellington Circle man reported that someone lit a firecracker near his house that started a small fire in the woods.

At 8:32 p.m., a woman reported a restraining order she has against her husband was violated by him because of a letter he sent to her workplace.

At 9:16 p.m., the Tage Inn reported a woman "who said she was there to be killed." The caller thought she might have a mental problem. An officer reported the woman was in her room and there was no problem at that time.

BREAKS

Saturday, July 26 - At 2:35 p.m., an Enmore Street man reported an attempted break into his house.

CAR BREAKS

Thursday, July 24 - At 8:14 a.m., there was a report of an attempted car radio theft at Putnam Investments.

At 9:45 a.m., someone at Putnam Investments on Shattuck Road reported a car break in their lot.

Friday, July 25 - At 12:01 p.m., a PictureTel employee on Minuteman Road reported his car entered and a phone taken.

Saturday, July 26 - At 11:11 p.m., a River Street woman reported someone had just broken into her vehicle.

THEFTS

Wednesday, July 23 - At 11:25 a.m., a Hillcrest Road man reported that money had been taken from his home Sunday, July 13. He said he suspected his cleaning people.

At 8:43 p.m., a woman leaving an Andover supermarket at Shawsheen Plaza reported her purse was snatched by a tall, thin white male wearing a black cap and driving a gray Ford that speeded toward Lawrence. About 15 minutes later, the Lawrence police called to say they might have the man near the Lawrence-Andover line.

Thursday, July 24 - At 1:37 p.m., a detective was to file a report regarding a bad check passed on Main Street.

Friday, July 25 - At 7:29 p.m., a YMCA employee reported someone had broken into a patron's locker and removed money from a wallet.

Saturday, July 26 - At 5:36, a Marland Street man called to report that his checkbook had either been lost or stolen.

Sunday, July 27 - At 9:04 p.m., a Lowell Junction Road man reported his boat was stolen over the weekend. He had recovered it himself.

Monday, July 28 - At 2:46 p.m., a detective was to file a report regarding a fraud/bad check case. A minute later he filed a similar report for the Family Mutual Savings Bank.

At 7:28 p.m., a Dascomb Road caller reported a red 1988 Chevy stolen from a parking lot sometime after 8 a.m. The car was found damaged in Lawrence the next morning.

Later on Monday night, a man reported his car stolen from the YMCA parking lot.

Tuesday, 6:35 p.m., a North Main Street man reported his nearly 20-year-old Red Royal Union ten-speed bike taken from a parking lot behind Perfecto's.

ACCIDENTS

Thursday, July 24 - At 10:49 a.m., Barron's Country Store reported a truck took a corner onto Lowell Street and wiped out the store's light pole and several flower beds but did not stop.

At 9:03 p.m., a tractor trailer was reported to be stuck after running over some rocks on River Road. An officer reported a large boulder in the road that needed to be moved immediately.

Friday, July 25 - At 6:05 a.m., there was a two-car accident without personal injury on Main Street.

At 9:15 a.m., a sergeant was to file a report on damage to his police car.

At 11:58 a.m., an ambulance requested an officer come to file a report about a child whose bike collided with a car.

Saturday, July 26 - At 2:49 p.m., a biker ran into a guardrail on Route 125.

At 3:02 p.m., an ambulance was sent to an accident with personal injury on North Main Street. The car was towed and a citation was issued.

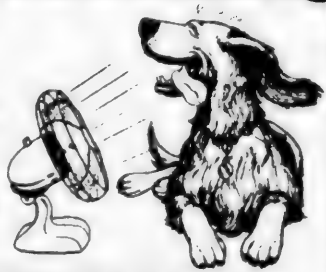
At 8:37 p.m., a Salem Street cat was hit by a car but still alive. An officer brought the cat to the Andover Animal Hospital.

Tuesday, July 29 - At 5:46 p.m., a two-car accident without injury was reported at the Beacon Street and Lowell Street intersection.

VANDALISM

There were six cases of vandalism reported this week.

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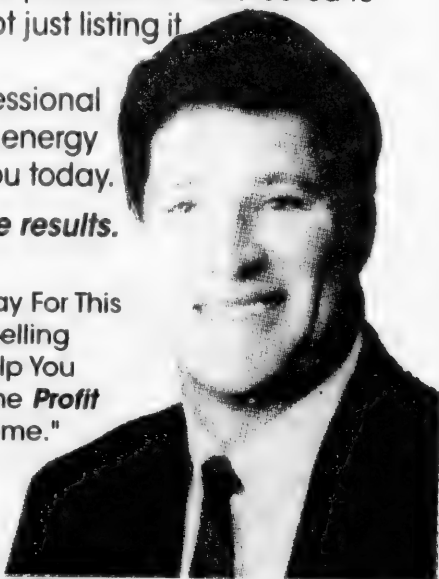
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NEWS FOR SENIORS

Here are some of the activities coming up at the Andover Senior Center.

Natural healing

Dr. Pei Chang from the Institute of Chinese Medicine in Taiwan, assisted by Paul Madden, R.N., licensed acupuncturist of Andover, will present a wellness program on natural healing Wednesday, Aug. 13, at 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center. Participants will learn how to use reflex points to treat hypertension, cardiac/vascular problems, headaches and other conditions. There is no charge, but reserva-

tions should be made as soon as possible as seating is limited.

Movie night

A pizza supper Friday, Aug. 15, at 5 p.m. will be followed by the comedy *My Fellow Americans* starring James Garner and Jack Lemmon. The evening will end with strawberry shortcake being served. Tickets may be purchased at the center.

SHINE counseling

SHINE (Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Elders) counseling is available by appointment. All information is confi-

dential. Call the center for an appointment.

Investment group

The newly-forming investment group invites newcomers to attend their meeting Tuesday, Aug. 12, at 1 p.m. For more information, call Richard Large at 475-0254.

Friends' gift shop

The Friends' Gift Shop at 24 Park St. is open from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Drop in and see the selection of crafts, clothes, current books, jewelry and quality items. Donations of items in excellent condition can

be dropped off at the store during normal business hours.

Medical transportation

The center is seeking additional volunteers for its medical transportation program. Drivers volunteer a few hours a month to transport seniors to medical appointments. For more details, call Olivia at 623-8326.

Holiday crafts

The center is already preparing for the holidays and needs help. The craft class meets every Monday at 9:30 a.m.

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Monday: Beef Wellington with brown sauce, mashed potatoes, green beans, whole grain bread, chilled peaches.

Tuesday: Baked chicken, baked potatoes, carrots, whole grain bread, homemade frosted cake.

Wednesday: Shepherd's pie with gravy, whipped potatoes, peas, whole grain bread, apple.

Thursday: Breaded turkey tenders, potato

wedges, ketchup, corn, whole grain bread, sherbet cup.

Friday: Baked fish, tartar sauce, butternut squash, whole grain bread, fruit cup.

A choice of coffee, tea or milk is available daily.

For reservations, call 623-8321 before 2 p.m. on the business day before the lunch you plan to attend. The senior center will serve baked chicken Monday, Aug. 11, and pork chops Tuesday, Aug. 12.

All menus are subject to change.

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THURSDAY, JULY 31

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Wingmasters, Falconry in the Medieval World, with live birds of prey, 2 p.m., free tickets available in Children's Room, Memorial Hall Library; Norma Gammon 623-8400.

Kerouac's Lowell, travel to Lowell High School, the Kerouac Commemorative and Kerouac's gravesite in Edson Cemetery to learn more about Lowell's native son and great American novelist, 6 p.m., Lowell National Historical Park Visitor Center, 246 Market St., Lowell; (508) 970-5000.

FRIDAY, AUG. 1

Comedy Palace, featuring Claudia Sherman, Grill 93, River Road, 8 and 10:30 p.m. cover charge \$8; 1-888-TO-LAUGH.

A Night in Vienna, concert presented by Lowell Summer Music Festival, 8 p.m., \$5, children 12 and under free, bring lawn chairs or blankets, Boarding House Park, corner of French and John streets, Lowell; (508) 970-5000.

SATURDAY, AUG. 2

Le Grand David and his own Spectacular Magic Company, a 2-hour theatrical revue featuring magicians, clowning, singing and dancing, 8 p.m., \$12 adults, \$8 children 11 years

old and younger, Cabot St. Cinema Theatre, Beverly; (508) 927-3677.

A Tribute to Patsy Cline, by Boston-based country pop singer Sandy Martin at Lowell Summer Music Festival, 8 p.m., \$5, children 12 and under free, bring lawn chairs or blankets, Boarding House Park, corner of French and John streets, Lowell; (508) 970-5000.

Yard sale and bake sale, presented by North Regional Theatre Workshop, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., ground of Masonic temple, corner of Park Street and Route 62, North Reading.

SUNDAY, AUG. 3

Family outing at Pumps Pond, afternoon of live music, family events and water races, bring picnic lunch or purchase food at concession stand, 1 p.m., rotten sneaker contest, bring ugliest, nastiest, old sneakers by 2 p.m. for judging.

Le Grand David and his own Spectacular Magic Company, 3 p.m., see entry under Saturday, Aug. 2.

Annual festival sponsored by the Women's Guild of Holy Cross Armenian Apostolic Church in Lawrence, music, food, raffles, face painting, rain or shine, 1-6 p.m., \$1, children free, on the grounds of St. Vartanantz Armenian Church, 180 Old Westford Road, Chelmsford.

Open auditions for musical *Into the Woods*, auditioners should have prepared musical audition, no pay, no benefits, 6 p.m. Giordano's Starlite Dinner Theatre, Route 97, Georgetown; (508) 352-7300, or 1-800-287-

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TUESDAY, AUG. 5

Wedding Fair 1997, presented by Wedding Fair International, experts in flowers, favors, music, gowns, transportation and more will be available to help future brides plan their wedding, 6 p.m., \$5, preregistered brides and grooms free, Andover Country Club, 60 Can-

terbury St.; to register, call Dra-cut Limousine Service Inc. (800) 446-1104.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 6

Concert, sponsored by Department of Community Services, The Mighty Charge reggae band, 6 p.m., the Park bandstand, Bartlet and Chestnut streets.

Tavern Acres walking tour of the Tavern Acres Historic Dis-

trict and Memorial Park, sponsored by Andover Historical Society, bring brown-bag lunch, meet at 11:45 a.m. at Memorial Park in North Andover, \$2 non-members, \$1 members; Carol Majahad 686-4035.

THURSDAY, AUG. 7

Images '97, a juried quilt show sponsored by the New England

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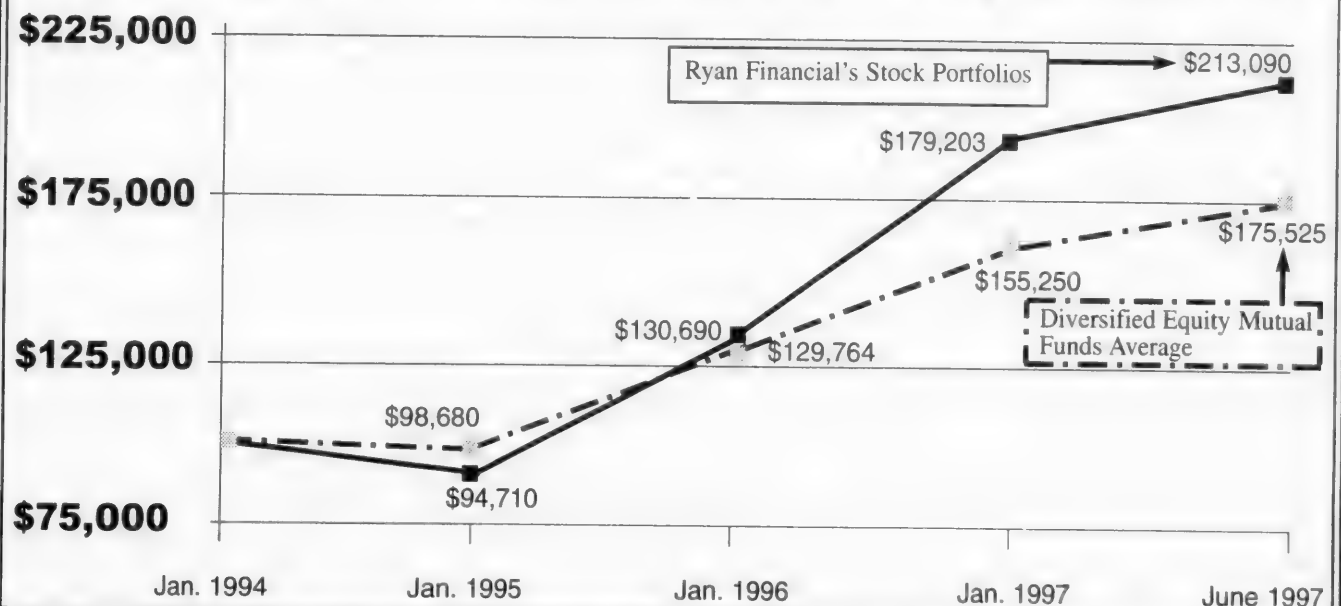
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Trash decision

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trash costs if nothing gets done," said Barry Finegold, a former selectman and current state representative for Andover.

Because Andover's trash facility needs an expensive upgrade, selectmen must soon decide how Andover should handle paying such whopping bills.

Bob McQuade, long-time public works director, will present a new option to the selectmen this coming Monday, Aug. 4. The new document is about a half-inch thick.

"There is a new service agreement on the table for us to look at and see if we are interested in it," said Mr. McQuade. "The decision on whether to accept the agreement or not, has to be done by September. It's a complicated agreement to wrestle with so we have to get town counsel and the Finance Committee involved."

Mr. McQuade said, "There would be a cost savings if we entered the new agreement and we would take less responsibility than before."

But instead of receiving 90 percent of the revenue generated by Andover trash from the trash-to-energy plant, Andover would not receive any revenue money at all.

Extension no longer an option

Although an earlier option was to extend the contract and stretch the costs out over a longer period, Mr. McQuade the choice of extending the contract was taken off the table by a vote at 1996 Special Town Meeting. All renegotiations of the contract must keep the contract's expiration date at 2005, he said.

Selectman John Hess agrees.

"The intent was certainly that we don't want to get tied up until 2010. There was a lot of frustration by everybody at Town Meeting about the expense of this project," said John Hess. "I'd like to honor Town Meeting. I think the argument makes sense that we shouldn't tie ourselves up."

So the decision for selectmen will be whether to keep the current contract or accept a new contract that will eliminate the town's revenue, but decrease costs and liability, said Mr. McQuade.

Rising expense

AHS passes test, says fire department

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the upper lobby area, but Dep. Murnane said the system already meets his standards.

"With this system upstairs, we kind of anticipated we'd need a fan upstairs, but it went very well," he said. "It's adequate now, we just want to make it the best we can."

Smoke evacuation problems in the lobby area earlier created a problem between the architect, Earl R. Flansburgh + Associates and the fire department.

To allow the school to open on time last year, the department issued a temporary occupancy permit with the understanding that the architect would quickly fix design problems with the smoke-evacuation and fire systems in the lobby area.

But when the department learned in March that the problem had still not been addressed by the architects, Fire Chief Harold Wright threatened to keep the school closed if the problem was not corrected by the end of April vacation.

The problem was addressed to the fire department's satisfaction and the school opened after vacation.

No matter what Andover does, it appears residents will continue paying expensive trash costs.

"Andover's paying \$1.2 million right now for its trash (service) and, if the town was paying the state average, would be paying about \$500,000," said Rep. Finegold. "Honestly, we're throwing out \$700,000."

Within a few years Andover will be paying \$225 per ton and throwing out even more money, said Rep. Finegold.

Andover currently throws away about 12,500 tons of garbage per year. Assuming Andover continues producing 12,500 tons of trash per year, at \$225 per ton, residents will pay \$2,812,500 for garbage service within a few years. This could be enough to require a Proposition 2 1/2 override, said Rep. Finegold.

Rep. Finegold said he did not favor extending the contract. He believes the town should to take the costs on the chin the next few years so Andover can more quickly choose a reasonably-priced trash disposal company on the open market.

Rep. Finegold also said he believes he can squeeze assistance from the state to help residents pay for the trash costs during that time, and that John O'Brien, Andover's state senator, can get further relief for the town through the state's energy deregulation.

"Let us try to lobby to get money and to do something with deregulation and then go on the open market," he said.

Rep. Finegold compares the NESWC communities' plight to that of the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority towns.

With the MWRA, the federal government made a law and the state stepped in to help communities pick up the cost, said Rep. Finegold.

The problem is the same for NESWC communities, he said he argued to House Speaker Thomas Finneran.

Because of the 1990 Clean Air Act, Andover needs to pay for expensive upgrades in equipment for its trash-to-energy plant, he said. Rep. Finegold also said it is because of the state's encouragement that Andover entered the NESWC family in the first place.

"They basically had a gun to our head and said close your landfill or else," said Rep. Finegold. "It's a bad deal the state got us into and they should own up to it."

However, when a sheetrock wall was removed from an upper area in the new lobby this summer, the area had to be tested again. Dep. Murnane said only this upper area was tested Tuesday.

"That was done (Tuesday) and that was OK. There's a few more adjustments we have to make but it was OK to us," said Dep. Murnane. "We don't have any safety issues at all with that smoke evacuation out of that atrium now."

The Andover High project is still more than a year behind schedule and the contractor says the town has approved more than \$3 million of extra work.

The smoke test for the lobby area was one of the 21 items the town says must be completed for the school to open on time.

Some of these 21 items were also issues about which school officials sounded severely concerned during their July 15 meeting.

For instance, officials seemed upset that work still remained for a classroom that was supposed to be completely refurbished so workers could see what other classrooms

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EVENTS CALENDAR

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Quilters Guild, features "The Hill, the Mill and the Till," a creation of 21 quilters, members of Andover's 350th celebration quilt committee, in 350 different fabrics, \$6 per day, \$10 multi-day ticket, Royal Plaza Hotel and Trade Center, 181 Boston Post Road West, Marlborough; (603) 465-7822.

FRIDAY, AUG. 8

Comedy Palace, featuring Tony V, see entry under Friday, Aug. 1.

Kids night out, sponsored by University of Massachusetts Lowell Department of Athletics, basketball, floor hockey, swimming, volleyball, music, relays, soccer, kickball and videos for boys and girls in kindergarten-seventh grade, 6-10 p.m., \$8 first child, \$5 each additional brother/sister, UMass Lowell Costello

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Lullabies of Broadway, featuring music from *Les Miz*, *South Pacific*, *Phantom*, *Man of La Mancha*, presented by Lowell Summer Music Festival, 8 p.m., \$5, children 12 and under free, bring lawn chairs or blankets, Boarding House Park, corner of French and John streets, Lowell; (508) 970-5000.

Images '97, see entry under Thursday, Aug. 7.

SATURDAY, AUG. 9

Comedy Palace, featuring R-rated hypnotist, 10:30 p.m., see entry under Friday, Aug. 1.

Baskets with a purpose workshop, sponsored by American Textile History Museum, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., \$30, \$15

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Lobsterfest, sponsored by Rockport Rotary Club, boiled lobster dinner and live jazz (cash menu burgers and hot dogs available also) 3-6 p.m., \$12, Rockport Legion Hall Bandstand. Back Beach, Rockport; (508) 546-9580.

Old Tyme Circus, sponsored by Rockport Rotary Club, proceeds support Rotary's community service and scholarship projects. 5 and 7:30 p.m., \$6, Smith Lumber Yard, Rockport; (508) 546-9580.

Cherish the Ladies, traditional Irish ensemble and stepdancers, presented by Lowell Summer Music Festival, 8 p.m., \$5, children 12 and under free, bring lawn chairs or blankets, Boarding House Park, corner of French and John streets, Lowell; (508) 970-5000.

Singles dance, sponsored by Chapter of TSL (The Single Life), for singles over 21, 8 p.m., \$5 members, \$7 guests, Knights of Columbus, Route 38, Tewksbury; Diane 640-1544 or Muriel 851-

0346.

Images '97, see entry under Thursday, Aug. 7.

SUNDAY, AUG. 10

Old Tyme Circus, 3 p.m., see entry under Saturday, Aug. 9.

Images '97, see entry under Thursday, Aug. 7.

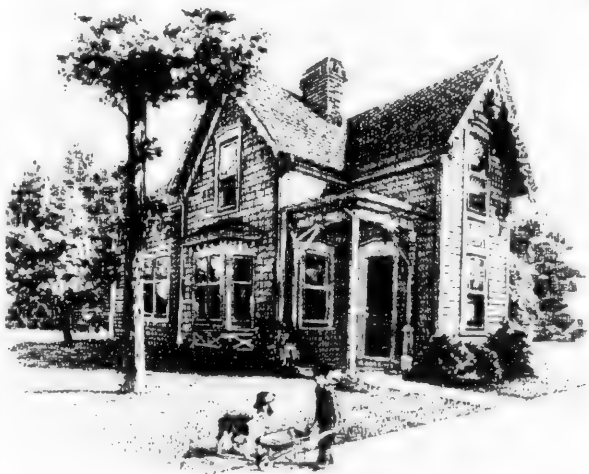
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Aug. 10, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Aug. 11-31, locker rentals, 50 cents per day, \$1 deposit required, canoe and kayak rentals, \$4/boat/hour, limit 3/canoe, swimming test required; family outing Sunday, Aug. 3, live music, family events and water races, 1 p.m., bring a picnic lunch or purchase food at concession stand; rotten sneaker contest Sunday, Aug. 3, bring ugliest, nastiest, old sneakers by 2 p.m. for judging.

Museums and Historic Homes Andover Historical Society permanent exhibit: Amos Blanchard House and Barn Museum, containing period rooms from 1820s to 1840s, with 19th-century farm and woodworking tools; special exhibits: *Passionate People*: Photographs by Lisa Adelsberger, through Aug. 30, *Living with Breast Cancer* by Perry Colmore and Lisa Adelsberger, through Aug. 30, library and office hours 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Tuesday-Saturday, Mondays by appointment; \$4 adults, \$2 children, members free; Andover Historical Society, 97 Main St., 475-2236.

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The Punchard High School class of 1947 held its 50th reunion June 28 and 29 at the Ramada Rolling Green Hotel. Seated, from left are: Catherine Craig Hoehn, Peg Wallace Reilly, Estelle Oliver Walker, Virginia Goeman Schaible, Elna Fone Nugent, Anthony Clinton, and Lyndon Gilman; standing, second row, Jack Arabian, John Eastwood, Shirley Smith Brennan, Carol Davies Craig, Janet Caverly Morrissey, Alex

Meek, Charles Brennan, Frank McCarthy, George Colloton, Mildred Richards Fairburn, and Edith Ambye; standing, third row, Joseph Watson, Frank Serio, Richard Clough, George Haseltine, Richard Morrissey, Robert Henderson, Peter Southwick, P. Leroy Wilson, and Melvin Maddox. Present, but not shown: Alan Petty, George Joynson, William Valentine, and Charles Anderson.

Punchard High School class of 1947 holds 50th reunion

The Punchard High School class of 1947 held its 50th reunion at the Ramada Rolling Green Hotel Saturday and Sunday, June 28 and 29. Classmates from Michigan, California, Arizona, Florida, and New England participated in a weekend which brought 60 percent of the class and spouses together. A banquet with songs and reminiscence poetry written by class members 55 years ago was led by the reunion committee: Joe Watson, class vice president, Frank Serio, treasurer, Shirley (Smith) Brennan, Mildred (Richards) Fairburn, Margaret (Wallace) Reilly, and Jack Arabian. Banquet table centerpiece floral arrangements were contributed by class member Vera (Hagopian) Konjoian of Konjoian Gardens. By a quorum vote of the class, the next reunion is scheduled for September of the year 2000.

The following is the text of the after-dinner address.

The Class of 1947: 50 years hence

By Jack H. Arabian, '47

We are the Punchard High School Class of 1947, and now it's called Andover High.

We were born during the Great Depression. We saw

hard times. We were too young to know what a depression was. We learned to get by on very little, but we were happy. Those were the times when milk was three cents a quart, and a loaf of Wonder bread was the same. It was on the sunrise of the Industrial Revolution, and factories were our parents' livelihoods. We remember the mills of American Woolen in Shawsheen, the Marland Mills on Stevens Street, and the Tyer Rubber Co. on Railroad Avenue. A paycheck of \$5 was appreciated, and it wasn't until World War II that overtime brought in \$10 a week. We missed World War I, but we have seen and lived our share of wars: World War II, Korea, and Vietnam.

We were in awe when we saw the new junior high school in 1941, completed only a few years earlier in 1937, with Charles Blanchard and later, Evelyn Banning, as principals. We had cool air coming out of the radiators in the summer, and heat in the winter. We even had an auditorium, built by the Roosevelt-era Works Progress Administration, or WPA. For us, it was gratifying bewilderment, coming from smaller, country schools like Bradlee, Shawsheen, West Andover, Indian

Ridge, Barrett, and Stowe Schools. We came to a large complex of air-controlled buildings, when only the Andover Playhouse was touting such luxury. It was a first time for us to move from class to class, like little armies, every 45 minutes. We went to Mrs. Stimpson's math classes, Miss Hird's, Mrs. Carter's, and Miss Barron's English, Miss Marshall's geography, and the precise Miss Grover for Latin and algebra. We had George Snyder, Miss Stevens, and Miss Parker, Mr. Gahan and Emil Keiler. We also had a modern gymnasium, soon to lose its physical education director, Donald D. Dunn, to the Navy, as we did with Mr. Blanchard. We were being harnessed into a mass education system, 30 to a class, challenged to learn, and driven to study. Most of us did – or had to – either by our parents' discipline, or the urging of our teachers to excel.

The shadow of war kept looming over our lives, yet stirring us to action. Dec. 7, 1941, was not only a day of infamy, but a shot in our respective arms. The seriousness of war was now at our doorstep. We had just started junior high school. Our fathers, brothers, and sisters went to war while the rest

stayed home, filling in defense jobs that they left, attending defense rallies at the new auditorium, and buying defense stamps and bonds. We prayed for them. How many of us remember the endless string of scrap drives and the one big one that filled the parking lot, the blackouts and air raid drills, first aid classes, and somber headlines in the *Townsmen* and *Eagle Tribune*? In Emil Keiler's manual training class, we built solid models of warplanes for spotters to identify friend or foe during air raids. We rolled bandages, knitted sweaters, wrote Victory mail letters, and grew Victory gardens. Do you recall the dreary-looking, half-sleepy headlights of our cars, which we drove with our rations of gasoline? There were other signs, too, as if we had to be reminded that things were tight – sugar, butter, shoes, soap and nylons. We saved tin cans, drained cooking fat into them, and crushed the empty ones for scrap metal. We tied our newspapers and magazines into bundles for the scrap drives.

It was the age of Sinatra, when every female bobbysoxer with saddle shoes had his picture in her purse. Ask Vera Hagopian and Betty Whitney. It was also the age of our All-

Girl Band in their blue and gold uniforms. From our class, Miriam Sweeney recruited Janet Caverly, Elna Fone, Arden Jaspert, Diane Mahoney, Gene Murray, Anne Marie McKay, Mildred Richards, Anne Sullivan, and Evelyn White.

It was the era of steam locomotives, but the sleek, silver, diesel Streamliner raced through once a week on its way to Portland. We shipped things by Railway Express and sent telegrams by Western Union. The Fourth of July had fireworks – our own – which we could buy at the temporary fireworks stands. Lots of injuries shut them down much later. The smoke and smell of burning leaves, now banned, was a sure sign of fall.

We had fountain pens, not ball points; round milk bottles, not square cartons; and waxed paper, not aluminum foil or Saran Wrap; radio, not TV; coal and kerosene heat, not gas and fuel oil.

After 8th and 9th grade, we lost a few of our class to private schools – Pattie Barnard, Jack Batal, Jimmy Boyce, Charlie Bradley, Ruth Brimer, Sayward Cook, Helen Dowd, George Henderson, Bob McCoubrie, Eddie O'Connor, Shirley Sawyer, Lois Strong,

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Punchard High class of 1947

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Jacqueline Webster, and Marion White come to mind.

The rest of us stayed on, and by 1944, it was our turn at Punchard. Kenneth L. Sherman was the superintendent of schools. Eugene Love-ly was our principal, and you'll agree he ran a tight ship. It was there we met our class choice for the yearbook, Coach Ken McKiniry. Before us were George Craig, and Henry and Frank Bunting, who had already made their mark on the football team. Our turn would come with members of our own class: Captain Joe Watson, Tony Clinton, Ronnie Demers, Bud Eastwood, Lyndon Gilman, Jim Gillen, George Haselton, Bob Henderson, Eddie Henderson, Carl Lindsay, Alex Meek, Glen Noble, Alan Petty, Frank Serio, Alex Stewart, Bill Valentine, Leroy Wilson, and Gerry Young all played during their stay at Punchard. George Colloten was one of our managers. Later, our basketball and baseball teams made up of many of the same members would star in regional

games. The girls, too, had basketball and volleyball teams, both led by Paula Dimlich.

Somewhere along the way we lost Jean Ballantyne, Janice Cole, and Betty Haaken-son.

We learned history from Mr. Gregory, math from Mrs. Hardy, business and book-keeping from Miss Dugan, science from Mr. Hart and Mr. Dimlich, English from Miss Fox, Spanish from Mr. Keilmurray, and French from Miss Smith. By 1945, we got Mr. Dunn back from the Navy, and he coached our track and gym teams. We were driven and driven hard. Coach McKiniry and assistant Bill Hennigar drilled and scrimmaged us until our bodies ached. Mr. Dunn ran us until our lungs burned. Miss Smith prodded us gently, and Mrs. Hardy was sincere in getting us to understand geometry. We were driven, but we learned. Lessons in high school have stuck with most of us, but there was more to learn about the world.

Do you remember the date

of the Normandy invasion by the Allies on D-Day? It was June 6, 1944, when we gathered in the auditorium. It was a patriotic, but very solemn assembly. Some on the faculty onstage had tears in their eyes, as we prayed for the safety of our servicemen. They went on through the Battle of the Bulge, North Africa, and Berlin, to the Far East, and to victory, all in the space of our junior high and Punchard years.

The atom bomb changed our lives. Japan sued for peace following the Allied dropping of atomic bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki (Aug. 6 and 9, 1945, respectively). It ended a war that we probably would have had to fight a lot longer. We wouldn't realize until much later what a crucial, agonizing decision it was for our then president, Harry S. Truman. The age of the atom was with us to improve, then again challenge, our own lives with radiation and its hazards.

Almost a year after D-Day, we finally celebrated V-E

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Ryan M. Hanson, son of Richard and Randall Hanson of 15 Pasho St., received a bachelor of arts degree May 23 from the College of the Holy Cross.

The English major is a graduate of Central Catholic High School. He will move to New York City to work for Foote, Cone & Belding.

Cynthia Hastings of Andover received the dean's highest honors award for the spring semester at Montserrat College of Art in Beverly.

Montserrat has concentrations in illustration, drawing and painting, graphic design, printmaking, photography and sculpture.

Thomas Hodgson of 63 Highland Road, is a Landmark volunteer. Mr. Hodgson is a member of a team that will spend two weeks in Colonial Williamsburg, assisting with the maintenance and beautification of the grounds and facilities.

The junior at Phillips Academy plays junior varsity soccer and is a member of the bike team and ping-pong club.

Landmark volunteers, based in Sheffield, is a non-profit service organization offering high school students the opportunity to work at one of 33 nationally recognized historical, cultural, environmental or social service institutions across the country.

Smita Malpani, daughter of Dr. Jugal and Sumitra Malpani of 2 Rutgers Road, graduated Friday, May 30, from Wellesley College, cum laude, with a bachelor of arts degree.

Ms. Malpani was a biology and anthropology major. She

participated in theater and received the Wellesley College Theater Award. Ms. Malpani previously attended Phillips Academy.

U.S. Rep. Martin T. (Marty) Meehan, D-Lowell, was awarded an honorary doctor of laws degree by Suffolk University at Law School commencement exercises held Sunday, May 25, at the Fleet Center in Boston.

Suffolk University president David J. Sargent, who presided over the commencement exercises, praised Rep. Meehan for his "dedicated service to the people of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts," and for



U.S. Rep.
Martin T.
Meehan

"providing the leadership needed for local economic development and job creation efforts," for his congressional district.

Rep. Meehan has represented the 5th Congressional District of Massachusetts in the U.S. House of Representatives since 1993, and serves on the House National Security and Judiciary committees.

He has emerged as a national leader in the fight to reform the nation's campaign finance laws and the battle to keep tobacco away from children.

Prior to his election to Congress, Rep. Meehan was first assistant dis-

trict attorney of Middlesex County and served as Massachusetts Deputy Secretary of State for Securities and Corporations from 1986 to 1990.

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degree," said Rep. Meehan, who holds a master of public

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Punchard High class of 1947

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(Victory in Europe) Day on May 8, 1945, following the surrender of Germany to the Allied forces. We were mere sophomores then. V-J (Victory over Japan) Day was Sept. 2, 1945, the day on which Japan formally surrendered, and we were entering our junior year.

Later, in May of our junior year, 1946, we celebrated Andover's tercentennial. Some of us dressed as Native Americans, or Pilgrims, in parades and a large pageant at the stadium. Miss Marshall was the official narrator, and we can still hear her words, "The Indians were hunting... fishing... planting corn... beans... and squash... while the women were the homemakers..."

We contributed early military recruits from our class, Hector Pattulo, and Bill Brogan. We got veterans back later from the military, too: John Gronbeck, Bill Heidenrich, John Wirtz, Vince Mitchell, and Bob Creamer, and they graduated with us.

In the last two months of our senior year, we were told that, Oh, by the way, we needed a yearbook. Oh? Today's expression for it is "Drrr!"

We quickly formed a yearbook committee with Edith Ambye, Jack Arabian, Pat Collins, Dick Clough, Carol Davies, Deke Emmons, Vera Hagopian, George Haselton, Diane Mahoney, Alex Meek, Frank Serio, Shirley Smith, and Peg Wallace. The yearbook was out in record time.

We had plenty of other extracurricular activities:

Intramural Sports, where we saw Mel Maddox, Pete South-

wick, and Charlie Brennan;

The cheerleaders, led by Shirley Smith, and backed up by Kay Craig;

The track team, led by Jack Arabian;

The gym team, led by Charlie Anderson;

The Varsity Club led by Ron Demers;

The Serenity Club and Estelle Oliver;

The Student Council, led by Jim Gillen;

The social committee, led by Lyndy Gilman;

The class picture committee, led by Ron Demers;

The class supper committee, led by Alex Meek;

The Service Club, led by Edith Ambye;

The Library Club, led by Betty Whitney;

The Glee Club, with 12 of our class in concert, including George Joynson, Virginia Goe-man, Frank McCarthy, and Gene Murray;

The Barnard Essay Contest; The Goldsmith Speaking Contest;

The prom committee.

We graduated in June 1947, and little did we know our destinies.

Some of us would start up businesses. Many of us were lucky enough to attend universities and training schools. Amongst us are doctors, clergy, professors, engineers, law enforcement and military professionals, and many other professions. For some of us, marriage, children, and grandchildren would fulfill many of our dreams.

There were those who would serve in the military with dis-

tingtion. Ronnie Demers, a lieutenant in the Marines; Jim Gillen, who was a U.S. Army major in Vietnam; Art McCabe, who, with the U.S. Marines in Korea, went up to the Chosin Reservoir and back to Hamhung Harbor; and Hector Pattulo, who served in the U.S. Navy in the Far East and Iceland.

Much has happened in 50 years - the atom bomb, the United Nations, penicillin, Vietnam, TV, Civil Rights, the Salk vaccine, the Cold War, Sputnik, Apollo moon landing, ballistic missiles, computers, Internet, drugs, AIDS, and violence have spanned our lifetimes as we approach the year 2000.

And how our vocabulary has changed. What would Miss Stevens say about Word Wealth now? Being happy

and gay has new meaning now. And what about the word, "like?" Like, this is how we say it now. Like, this is what it's all about. Like wow, the language is going to pot. Well, no, after all, even "pot" has a new meaning. Drive-ins were introduced, but drive-bys were unheard of. "Kick your butt," appears to be OK to say on TV. In fact, lots of things are OK now on TV, where we weren't even allowed to think them. Maybe we were better off.

Now as we approach our 70th birthdays, we look upon the past. We are now the Senior Citizens. We know the trauma of losing loved ones, close friends. Especially today, for 16 of our classmates, and we remember each of them: Kenny Ashton, Joe Bulla, Dean Char-michael, Frank Chick, Ron Demers, Jim Gillen, Eddie

Henderson, Diane Mahoney, Herb Peterson, Alex Stewart, Elsie Snyder, Anne Marie Sullivan, Rita Toussaint, Marie Weeks, Eve White and Bob Wormwood.

We ask how 75 percent of us have survived. How was it that through all the challenges, sicknesses, and violence we made it this far? Some call it fate, we call it the Will of God. That we are still here is a challenge to us to continue the work of our teachers and all who came before us. There is so much left to do for our children, for the world. Healthcare problems and inequities, hunger, disease, and poverty still have not been wiped out. As a sharing classmate, I say, age is how you feel, and we still have the will to live longer, useful, productive lives.

God be with us to our next reunion and many more.

ON CAMPUS NEWS

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administration degree and a juris doctor degree from Suffolk University.

Rep. Meehan and his wife, Ellen Murphy, live in Lowell.

Diego E. Miranda of 18 Hidden Field Drive graduated cum laude May 26 from Yale University with a B.A. degree in political science and distinction in the major. He is a member of the national political science honor society Pi Sigma Alpha and a recipient of university



Diego E. Miranda

prizes in history and political science. Mr. Miranda will pursue doctoral studies in the Government Department at Harvard University with a multi-year National Science Foundation fellowship. His wife, Sarah Dix, attended Phillips Academy.

Cindy Ellen Weener, daughter of Elayne and David Weener of Buttonwood Drive, received a bachelor of arts degree from Colgate University Sunday, May 18.



Cindy Ellen Weener

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OBITUARIES

Edith F. McCullom Attended South Church, belonged to Shawsheen Women's Club

Edith F. (Jackson) McCullom, 88, died at Maine Medical Center.

Mrs. McCullom was born in Berwick, Nova Scotia, and graduated from Rhode Island School of Nursing.



Edith
McCullom

She was a former resident of Andover and a former member of South Church, Shawsheen Women's Club and APC Sorority. Mrs. McCullom lived in Largo, Fla., where she attended Church of the Isles. She summered on Chebeague Island, Casco Bay, Maine.

Members of her family include her daughters and sons-in-law, Sally and Richard Hudgins of Andover and Joanne and Bruce Anderson of Portsmouth, N.H.; sons and daughters-in-law, William and Elizabeth McCullom of North Andover and Thomas and Jannette McCullom of South Berwick, Maine; 16 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and one niece.

She was the widow of Charles O. McCullom and Ian B. MacLellan.

Deaths Elsewhere

COUTURE — Richard J. Couture Sr., 61, of Lawrence died Thursday, July 24, at Lawrence General Hospital.

Members of his family include his sister, June Beaudin of Andover.

DARBYSHIRE — Anna J. (Lysik) Darbyshire of Amesbury died Wednesday, July 23, at home.

Members of her family include her daughter and son-in-law, Anne and Frank Firicano of Andover.

HOLLAND — June Mary (Murphy) Holland, 65, died Thursday, July 10, at Lower Florida Keys Health System.

Mrs. Holland worked for the IRS in Andover for 22 years.

KEMP — Muriel E. (Carrington) Kemp, 57, of Salem, N.H., died Monday, July 28, at Hale Hospital in Haverhill.

Mrs. Kemp worked at General Electric Co. in Andover.

MORIN — Louis "Pepere" Morin, 81, of Hudson, N.H., died Monday, July 28, at Saints Memorial Medical Center in Lowell after an extended illness.

Members of his family include his stepson, Paul McGaunn of Andover and his wife, Jolene McGaunn.

QUELLETTE — Marilyn (Vermynck) Ouellette, 54, of Salem, N.H., died Tuesday, July 29, at her home.

Mrs. Ouellette was an underwriter with Andover Companies for 12 years before she retired due to illness.

STOTT — Elizabeth O. (Oliver) Stott, 85, of Lawrence, died Tuesday, July 29, at Wingate in Andover.

A memorial service was held Monday in South Church. Burial was in Chebeague Island, Maine.

Memorial contributions may be made to Church of the Isles, 2408 Bay Boulevard, Indian Beach, Fla. 34635.

Donald W. Hill Lifelong resident; formerly employed by the town of Andover; services are today

Donald W. Hill, 76, a lifelong resident of Andover, died Sunday, July 27, at Lawrence General Hospital.

Mr. Hill was born in Lawrence.

He was formerly employed by the town of Andover.

Members of his family include his cousins, John K. Hill of Strafford, N.H., and his wife, Palma Hill, and Barbara K. Wilson of Hopkinton, N.H.

Cremation will take place at Linwood Crematory in Haverhill.

A graveside service is scheduled for today, Thursday, July 31, at noon at West Parish Cemetery.

Arrangements were by Burke Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Selma Cordts Kelley Avid gardener and crafter

Selma J. (Johnson) Cordts Kelley, 88, of Windham, N.H., died Wednesday, July 23, at Holy Family Hospital in Methuen.

Mrs. Kelley was born and educated in Brooklyn, N.Y., where she lived until her marriage in 1936. She lived in New Jersey and Andover before she moved to Windham in 1966.

The avid gardener and crafter attended St. Matthew Church in Windham.

Members of her family include her

husband, Stephen J. Kelley of Windham, N.H.; daughters, Josephine M. Gearin of Methuen and her husband, Robert Gearin, Irene C. Dumas of North Andover and her husband, Daniel P. Dumas, and Nancy E. Woodward of Salem, N.H.; stepchildren, Maureen Kelley of Windham, Eileen Grenier of Lawrence and her husband, Michael Grenier, and Stephen J. Kelley Jr. of Haverhill and his wife, Sonia Kelley; and six grandchildren;

She was the widow of H. Edward Cordts, who died in 1965.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Friday at St. Matthew Church.

Arrangements were by Boles Memorial-Baron Funeral Home in Lawrence.

Memorial contributions may be made to Lawrence Boys Club, 136 Water St., Lawrence, Mass. 01841.

Sebastian D. Tine Was director of engineering at Watts Regulator

Sebastian D. Tine, 69, of Andover died Wednesday, July 23, at Veterans Administration Medical Center in West Roxbury.

Mr. Tine was born in Lawrence. He was educated in Lawrence schools and graduated from Northeastern University with a master's degree in engineering.

He served as a lieutenant in the Navy during the Korean War.

Mr. Tine was director of engineering at Watts Regulator, where his family said he invented many products.

He previously owned and operated Merrimac Engineering in Lawrence.

He attended Holy Rosary Church and was a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

Members of his family include his wife, Celina (Roberge) Tine of



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Andover; sons, Sebastian Tine Jr. of Andover and Andrew Tine of Salem, N.H., and his wife, Delilah Tine; sister, Mary Marino of Andover; two grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass was said in Holy Rosary Church. Burial was in Immaculate Conception Cemetery.

Arrangements were Cataudella Funeral Home in Methuen.

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OBITUARIES

The *Townsmen* will publish obituaries of Andover residents without charge.

The paper also will publish without charge a short announcement of those people who died and did not live here, but are related to someone who lives in Andover. This listing will include the name of the deceased, where he or she lived, when he or she died, and names of relatives in Andover.

Those who wish to have a complete obituary published about a person who did not live in Andover can pay for a death notice. The cost of a death notice depends on the length of the notice.

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OBITUARIES

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Dana P. Boucher Custodian for Andover schools for 11 years

Dana P. Boucher, 37, of Salem, N.H., died of cancer Wednesday, July 23, at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston.

Mr. Boucher was born in Methuen, educated in Lawrence and graduated from Greater Lawrence Regional Vocational High School.

He was a custodian for the Andover school system for more than 11 years.

Mr. Boucher attended St. Patrick Church in Lawrence and St. Joseph Church in Salem, N.H.

He was an avid fisherman and gardener.

Members of his family include his wife, Susan M. (Yelland) Boucher of Salem, N.H.; daughters, Kerri N. Boucher and Jessica L. Boucher; son, Todd M. Boucher; foster mother, Irene Dixon of Lawrence; brothers, Bruce Boucher and Wayne Boucher of Maine, Brian Boucher, Douglas Boucher, Christopher Boucher, Craig Boucher and Todd Boucher, all of Lawrence; sisters, Gail Halloran and Sherri Mansourian, both of Lawrence; several aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces and nephews.

A funeral service on Saturday at Hart-McLennan Funeral Home in Lawrence was followed by a Mass at St. Patrick Church.

ON CAMPUS

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graduate of Phillips Academy concentrated in English and elementary education. She is a member of Gamma Phi Beta Sorority, where she was most recently new member educator, and was also head coordinator of the Big Brother/Big Sister community service program.

Ms. Weener received the dean's award for academic excellence for three years and received recognition at graduation weekend for being one of the outstanding student leaders for the class of 1997.

Daniel Queen, a class of 1998 sociology major at Union College in Schenectady, N.Y., has spent two years as a volunteer in the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program in Schenectady.

The 1994 graduate of Andover High School lives at 5 Timothy Drive.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters is based on a one-to-one relationship between an adult and a youth at risk. Students spend three to five hours each week with their Little Brother or Sister, serving as men-

tors and role models, providing friendship and individual attention.

Stacie I. Ringleb of 5 Sweetbriar Lane received a B.S. degree in engineering from Case Western Reserve in Cleveland, Ohio at May 18 commencement exercises. She majored in biomedical engineering.

The following Andover residents received degrees from Salem State College at its 187th commencement May

17. They are **Stephen X. Berner**, **Steven W. Corrado**, **Christopher R. Costa**, **Alyssa K. Druhan**, **Joseph P. Harding**, **Nicole M. Mercier**, **Jennifer L. Merenda** and **Meridith A. Roli**.

Leah K. Davis, **Karen A. Hall**, **Jennifer A. Rogers-Burke** and **Lillian W. Shulman** received master degrees.

Venu Channamsetty graduated magna cum laude from Siena College in Loudonville, N.Y., at its 57th commencement on May 18. Ms. Channamsetty is a biology major.

Planning Board roundup

SHED gets green light to renovate, expand

By Tamar Carroll

The Planning Board voted Tuesday night to approve plans for the renovation and expansion of a former two-story paint shop located on the Abbot Campus of Phillips Academy, which will be the new home of the Shawsheen Extended Day (SHED) and Kid's Club programs.

The popular before-and-after-school child care programs, currently located at Shawsheen School, received permission from the Academy to renovate and lease the property, which is off Abbot and Phillips Streets.

The plans call for the renovation of the existing building to house the SHED program, for Andover kindergartners, and the addition of a new, 12,300 square foot, two story building to house the Kids Club, for Andover students enrolled in first through fifth grades.

A maximum of 250 children and 26 staff employees would be allowed at the site.

Program administrator Sydney Bialo said the new location will allow the SHED program to expand from a total of 76 students to 100 (50 each in morning and afternoon sessions) and the Kids Club program from 120 to 200. [See related story on page 3.]

"It should just about take care of the need," Ms. Bialo said. "That's what we are trying to do."

Ms. Bialo said that in addition to allowing the programs to take more students, having their own building will mean that the stu-

dents can personalize their spaces and work on ongoing projects which need to be left out.

"The main thing is its going to be their own," Ms. Bialo said. "We are all very, very excited."

Ms. Bialo said construction is expected to begin at the end of August and will be completed for either spring or fall of 1998.

Regency Heights discussion continued

In other business, the Planning Board voted to continue the Public Hearing on Regency Heights, a proposed subdivision located to the west of Sunset Rock Road, to its next meeting, Tuesday, Aug. 12, at 7:30.

At prior hearings on the subdivision, neighbors have expressed concern over increased traffic to Sunset Rock Road generated by the new subdivision. The developer hoped to allay these concerns by improving a section of Alderbrook Road to create an additional access route to the subdivision.

However, concern has been raised over the legality of the use the private portion of Alderbrook Road to access the new subdivision.

According to town council Thomas J. Urbelis, the developer has the right to improve and pave the existing road, but does not have the right to extend the road to service the proposed development.

"Tom Urbelis feels that the developer legally has rights to use the entire length, but

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New office park for River Road?

By Neil Fater

Andover's Brickstone Properties summer buying spree continued Tuesday with the announced acquisition of a 102-acre site near River Road.

The purchase of the Andover site nearly doubled the amount of suburban land the company has acquired in the last six weeks. President Marty Spagat said the acquisition of land is part of his effort to "position ourselves strongly to take advantage of the increasing demand for suburban office

space in the Boston area."

Mr. Spagat plans to use the River Road site to develop a total of 960,000 square feet of office space.

The land has a half-mile of frontage on Interstate 93 and was acquired from Digital Equipment Corp.

The developer wants to create a seven-building office park complete with jogging paths and picnic area on the site.

He has purchased a total of 235 acres of suburban real estate in the past six weeks.

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JULY HAPPY 1ST BIRTHDAYS



Anna Rose
Berman

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Anna Rose Berman, Emma Bartlett Berman, and Jaye Crawford Berman were all born July 8, 1996. Their parents are Jerry and Joni Berman of McKenney Circle. Grandparents are Les and Estelle Levitt of Denver, Colo., and the late Jack and Jeannette Berman of Paterson, N.J. Their parents said, "We have been incredibly blessed with three terrific little ladies. Each is quite a distinctive character, so we're experiencing a full gamut of personalities. Anna is almost running, Jaye walks well, Emma's up to about six steps. They are funny and beautiful and our lives have been immeasurably enriched. We are so grateful for these miracles."



Victoria Elizabeth
Pesco

Victoria Elizabeth Pesco was born July 29, 1996. Her parents are Anthony and Deanna Pesco of Andover. Her grandparents, Carol Risoli and Frank and Kay Pesco, and great-grandmothers, Minnie Petriella and Vinnie Muscarella, are all of New Jersey. Victoria spent her first birthday on the beach at Hilton Head, S.C., with her cousins, Ryan and Tyler Uliss of Georgia.



Adam Reuben
Brody

Adam Reuben Brody celebrated his first birthday July 23. He is the son of Ellen and Jonathan Brody of Andover. Grandparents are Phyllis and Arthur Lurie of Swampscott and Harold and Bernice Brody of Cape Coral, Fla. "Adam loves his daily breakfast with daddy, while eating Cheerios and watching *Sesame Street*. Elmo and Mommy are his favorites to cuddle with."



Max Philip
Solomon

Max Philip Solomon was born July 21, 1996. His parents are David and Debra (Brezniak) Solomon of Abbot Bridge Drive. Grandparents are Stanley and Elaine Solomon of Teaneck, N.J., Nancy and Peter Kaye of Bath, Maine, and Gene and Ann Brezniak of Brookline. Max has a sister, Jennifer, 4, and a dog, Molly. Max is proud of his ability to walk and loves to laugh.

August 1st Birthday photos are due Friday, Aug. 22...
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JULY HAPPY 1ST BIRTHDAYS



Haley Jade Donahue

Haley Jade Donahue celebrated her first birthday July 30. Her parents are Dan and Jackie Donahue of Bradenton, Fla., formerly of Andover. Grandparents are Frank and Judy Donahue, also of Bradenton, Fla., and formerly of Andover. Haley Jade's great-grandmother is Esther V. Donahue of Andover. "Happy birthday with love from all," they said.



Christina Joy Marino

Christina Joy Marino, daughter of John and Heidi Marino of Cardigan Road, turned 1 July 29. Grandparents are Peter and Carol Katsarakas of Lexington. She truly brings joy to all around her. She enjoys music, books and stroller walks. Most of all, she loves being with her older brother, Michael, who makes her laugh all the time.



Audrey Austin Barnes

Audrey Austin Barnes turned 1 year old July 24. Her parents are Tom and Lisa Barnes of Maple Avenue. Grandparents are Curtis and Joan Barnes of Nantucket, Bonnie Sullivan of Osprey, Fla., and Stephen Apthorp. Great-grandmother is Mary Louise Apthorp of Nantucket. Audrey's sibling, Cece, will be 4 in September.



Evan Kenneth Sermos Jr.

Evan Kenneth Sermos Jr. of Carriage Hill Road celebrates his first birthday today, July 31. Evan is the son of Ann and Evan Sermos and brother of Caitlin, 13, and Lauren, 12. Grandparents are John and Mary McDonagh and Kemon and Sybil Sermos, all of Somerville. Evan's favorite thing to do is to play with his sisters.



Arun E. Padykula

Arun E. Padykula celebrated his first birthday July 5 with family and friends. His parents are Robert and Tara Padykula of Andover. Grandparents are Lalit and Sandra Masih and Edward and Gen Padykula. He is a happy, curious boy who loves bubbles and balloons.



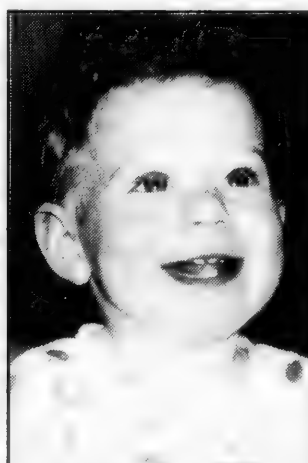
Joseph Byrne Carroll

Joseph Byrne Carroll was born July 19, 1996. His parents are John Byrne Carroll and Margarita Carroll of York Street. Grandparents are Francis and Katherine Carroll of Lowell and James and Maria Brogini of Barry, Vt. Joseph loves to stick his fingers in wall outlets and put small, "chokeable" objects in his mouth, they said.



Jianna Christopher

Jianna Christopher turned 1 year old on July 3. She is the daughter of Anthony and Debbie Christopher of Hartford Circle. Her dad "envisions her as attending Harvard Business School and becoming a corporate lawyer someday." Her mom thinks she will be an actress, since she is already giving "Oscar-winning" performances. Jianna is expecting a sibling in January.



Nathaniel Balin Gertzman

Nathaniel Balin Gertzman was born one year ago today: July 31, 1996. His parents are Carole Balin and Michael Gertzman. Grandparents are Marcia and Ted Balin of Andover and Gloria and Arthur Gertzman of West Milford, N.H. Great-grandmothers are Pauline Balin of Van Nuys, Calif., and Rose Rosenberg of Brooklyn, N.Y. Nathaniel is always happy and smiling, they said.



Tabor Durant Smith

Tabor Durant Smith celebrated his first birthday July 16. Tabor is the son of Nicole and Shane Smith of Amesbury. Grandparents are Paul and Mary Durant of Andover and Judy and Greg Smith of Windham, N.H. Tabor enjoys playing with his big brother, Tyler Shane, 4, as well as Kanute, his Siberian husky, and his two cats, Kona and Kirby. "We all wish you, Tabor, a very happy first birthday."



Michael N. Miller

Michael N. Miller turned 1 year old July 24. He is the son of Marianne and Andy Miller of Zionsville, Ind. Grandparents are Joan and Richard Roth of Andover and Judy and Jack Miller of South Bend, Ind. Michael loves running with his three dogs. He will be a big brother at Christmas.



Meghan Ann Buggy

Meghan Ann Buggy was born July 10, 1996. Parents are Daniel R. Buggy and Theresa M. Buggy of Dairy Lane. Grandparents are Robert and Theresa Thompson of Fort Myers, Fla., and Michael and Roberta Buggy of Charlestown. Great-grandmother is Nora Williamson of Melrose.



Myles Robert Couyoumjian

Myles Robert Couyoumjian turned 1 year old July 29. He is the son of Robin and Myles Couyoumjian of North Andover. Grandparents are Alice and Robert Colombosian of Andover and Julie and Harry Couyoumjian of Novi, Mich. Myles has been a joy to his family. His biggest thrill is getting behind the wheel of grandpa's ice cream truck and pretending he is driving.

Russian TV keeps residents in touch

By Tamar Carroll

Imagine leaving everything you've known and loved all your life behind and moving to a new country, where everything, especially the language, is different and hard for you to understand.

That's what many of Andover's Russian immigrants face everyday.

But, with the help of Marla Lichtman, executive director of Jewish Family Service of the Merrimack Valley, and Ken Dorrance, former execu-

tive director of Andover's Housing Authority, some of Andover's Russian residents have found a way to stay connected to their homeland.

WMNB, Russian-American Broadcasting of Watertown, installed wiring in apartments

in Stowe Court, Frye Circle and Grandview Terrace this May which makes it possible for 19 households in those developments to receive 24-hour Russian television.

Boris Yerozolimsky, of Stowe Court, is one of those residents who now enjoys watching Russian news shows, movies and history programs.

Mr. Yerozolimsky said for him, the biggest benefit of the Russian TV is the in-depth news accounts of current events in Russia.

"For me, the most interesting are the programs devoted to the situation in Russia, which bothers me and which I am thinking about seriously," Mr. Yerozolimsky said. "In American TV, they give much less information about what happens in Russia."

Mr. Yerozolimsky learned English as a child in Russia and speaks it fluently, but said that for many of his neighbors, understanding English is very difficult, so the Russian TV is

especially important.

"Most of us don't speak English well," Mr. Yerozolimsky said. "We have great difficulties in communicating, so there is a lack of films and programs which are understandable."

Mr. Yerozolimsky moved to the United States in 1991 to be near his two sons and their families, who live in Andover and North Andover. A specialist in neutron physics, Mr. Yerozolimsky has guest lectured at Harvard University and the University of Rhode Island since he moved to Andover. He says that he watches both American and Russian TV, but sometimes has difficulty understanding text on American TV, because of the short time it is displayed on the screen.

"The understanding of English text from the TV is very hard for me," Mr. Yerozolimsky said. "I am not a very young person, so the learning is a very difficult process."

Mr. Yerozolimsky and the other Andover residents who subscribe to the Russian TV receive a weekly programming guide which lists all of the shows. Many of them are the same programs shown on Russian TV, while some of them

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Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

◀ **Boris Yerozolimsky of Stowe Court says that, for him, the biggest benefit of the Russian TV is the in-depth news accounts of current events in Russia.**

Shooting Prose: A how-to book for the police

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"I wrote it for police officers because there's nothing else out there like it," he said. "As a trainer, there was nothing out there like this that I could have them (the people he was training) get."

Trooper Conti should know. Certified to teach various firearms courses by the FBI and the state, Trooper Conti has taught specialized courses to members of federal, state and local law enforcement units.

He believes his book will give cops a basic but thorough understanding of how to handle their weapons.

Having taught himself to shoot left-handed, Trooper Conti included a chapter in the book for lefties.

In part because a friend of his was stabbed while working undercover in Haverhill, Trooper Conti also included a chapter on dealing with knives.

"I've always been into the weapons and what I've found is that a lot of the police officers out there aren't. Everybody has their specialty," said Trooper Conti, who has a few antique firearms in the basement where he wrote the

book.

"I wrote (the book) for the regular cop who maybe got a week or two weeks training, tops, in the police academy," he said. "The training they were given in one week, in most cases, will carry them through the rest of their careers."

Trooper Conti recommends officers have firearms training four times a year in areas such as moving-target training, dim-light shooting, and judgmental firearms training. But that isn't happening in most communities.

"There's a lot of departments around here that haven't had (firearms) training in years," he said. "We're talking about the gun is in the holster and it stays in the holster until the (stuff) hits the fan."

Trooper Conti hopes his book will help prevent stuff from hitting the fan.

While with STOP, a Special Tactical Operations team, he saw some officers who lost their lives in the line of fire, and that was one reason he decided to write the book.

He wants officers to be prepared to handle dangerous situations. The cop prepared

with confidence and a plan should be able to safely control most scenarios, indicated Trooper Conti.

"If you're proficient with your gear, the chances of you having to use your fire arm go down," he said. "If you have a plan, most of the time you'll be able to handle a situation, no muss, no fuss."

A trooper for 11 years, the Andover resident brought his own plan to Leominster, Peabody and Chelsea before coming to the Andover barracks three years ago.

Although he's acquired a few interesting stories in his time, he said the book only uses a story if it helps illustrate a point, such as why it's important to hold a gun a certain way to avoid an unintentional discharge.

"It's not an 'I-love-me' book. My wife put it best. It's an 'I-love-cops' book," said Trooper Conti.

With any luck, that love will help keep more people safe.

"Statistically, in an average 25-year career, the average police officer will spend one-tenth of one percent of their time firing their weapon in a lethal-force situation. That's a



Trooper Michael Conti, a state trooper assigned to the Andover barracks: "My wife put it best. It's an 'I-love-cops' book."

very short period of time. The problem is, no one tells you when that one-tenth of one percent is coming around the corner," said Mr. Conti.

"It can happen the day you come out of the academy or the day before you retire," he said. "It's a small number, but it's a huge (deal) when you're looking at it."

People interested in getting

their trigger fingers around a copy of *In the Line of Fire* should send a check or money order for \$35 to Shooting Prose, 268 Main St. #138, North Reading, Mass. 01864.

Mr. Conti has already signed a contract with Paladin Press to do a second book regarding the use of chemical agents, such as pepper spray and gas grenades.

ENTERTAINMENT

Stepping up to the microphone

By Neil Fater

Most rookies are nervous the first time they step up to the plate in a clutch situation at Boston's Fenway Park. But not Andover's Martin Johnson.

Martin, who will be 12 in September, said he didn't feel any butterflies battering his stomach when he dug in to belt out the National Anthem before the Red Sox-A's game last Thursday night, July 24.

"I wasn't the least bit nervous," he said. "I was wondering what it would be like to stand on the field and I found out."

"When you're standing out there, suddenly you hear your voice out on the field and you see everybody looking at you. It's an amazing feeling."

Mary and Dan Johnson were amazed to learn where they'd be standing when their son asked "Oh, say, can you see?" to several thousand fans.

"I was really surprised to be on the infield. I thought we would just watch from somewhere" in the stands, said Mary Johnson, of Chestnut Street. "I just figured we'd get as close as we could to the field."

But the Johnsons not only stood on the field, they were allowed to take a piece of it with them. A Red Sox representative gave them a bag and allowed them to swipe some dirt.

Other highlights for Martin included getting pats on the back from family and friends while he stood on the field, and seeing his name in lights on the centerfield scoreboard.

"At the end I turned around and I saw my name up on the board in sparkles," he said, displaying a wide smile.

Martin is the second Andover boy selected to sing the National Anthem this year. William Dunn, a Doherty Middle School student, did his home-of-the-brave routine June 10, and because of that Mary Johnson was surprised that Martin was also selected. She figured the Red Sox might have filled their Andover quota for the year.

Obviously, Martin impressed his hometown team.

"I owe most of it to my dad. He did all the arranging and he made it happen," said Martin. "We went to this recording studio of one of my dad's friends. He sent it in and talked to a (Red Sox representative) and they called me and asked me to sing."

When Martin's father told him the Red Sox wanted him to musically take them out to the ball game, "I screamed for at least two minutes. I stood there yelling my lungs out, I was so excited," said Martin.

Martin had more to yell about at Thursday's game.

A shortstop for the Andover Little League Majors' Braves team, Martin's favorite player is fellow shortstop Nomar Garciaparra, who had a monster game. The All-Star rookie went 3 for 4, missing the cycle by only a single.

That went over well with the Johnsons, who are big Red Sox fans.

"We go to about nine games a year," said Martin. "My dad and I go about two hours early to get autographs and everything."

But Martin said he'd also like to go early to sing for the Red Sox faithful again some time.

"Yeah, I would," he said.

"Especially when the Red Sox get their new stadium."

ENTERTAINMENT NUGGETS

Songs tops charts

By Neil Fater

In the short time since her 1995 novel joined Oprah Winfrey's book list, Mary McGarry Morris has made a cool million.



Mary McGarry Morris

More than one million paperback copies of Ms. Morris' *Songs in Ordinary Time* are now in print.

Since Ms. Winfrey selected the novel as the summertime selection for her widely popular book club, people everywhere have packed *Songs* in their beach bags and vacation valises.

"It's become a best-seller nationally," said Ms. Morris, of Abbot Street. "It's

been a very exciting summer for me watching the book make different best-seller lists."

Although Viking Press had scheduled one paperback printing before the talk-show talent sung the book's praises, since then the publisher has made five additional printings.

The attention focused on *Songs* must not have seriously disrupted Ms. Morris' efforts to create a new novel because she's reached her favorite stage of preparation.

"I have a manuscript and I'm ready to do months and months worth of editing," said Ms. Morris. "That will take quite a while."

"This is the stage of the work that I really enjoy, having a manuscript to work with," she said. "I think the hardest part is the actual writing, coming up with something from nothing."

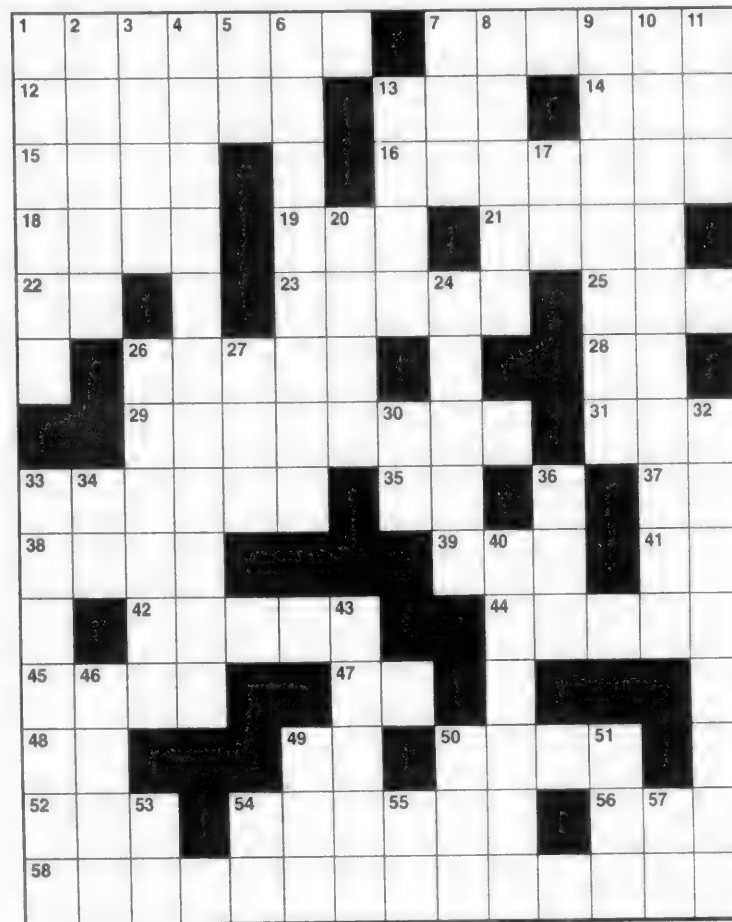
Book sales have certainly been something.

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












By Neil Fater

► The first puzzle in an occasional series. The answer will be published next week, along with the names of the first 10 people to correctly identify all answers and return the puzzle. Include name, address, age, and phone.



The symbol  represents an Andover-related clue

ACROSS

-  1 Twice Super Bowl coach
-  7 Not left, but fire chief
- 12 Single sound (2 wds.)
-  13 Lane at Holy Family, for one
- 14 Kanga suffix
-  15 AHS geographic note board
-  16 From P.A. to "Casablanca"
-  18 A Betsy Williams utensil
- 19 Consonant salutation?
- 21 Gopher state (abbrev.)
- 22 Ohio, for addresses
- 23 High rankings
- 25 Doing business as (abbrev.)
- 26 Exasperated boating plea?
- 28 Courtesy title
-  29 With hill, old Andover summary (2 wds.)
- 31 Ready _____ fire!
- 33 Shape-stacking game
- 35 Drink with jam and bread
- 37 Marion Barry base
- 38 Two-toned treat
- 39 Not Han's "Star Wars"
-  41 Biotech. co.
- 42 Helpers
-  44 Comedienne DeGeneres or Principal Parker
- 45 butts
- 47 P-funk reference, or type of copy
- 48 Helping verb
- 49 Lazy more
-  50 U.S. president or AVIS reservation
- 52 Don't stand on ceremony
-  54 In Coburn's world, he's police chief
-  56 Bancroft had trouble with it
-  58 Oprah sings this "Songs" praises

DOWN

- 1 If stick doesn't work, try this
- 2 Biblical cry?
-  3 Piantadosi could fix broken one
-  4 Favors Mighty, Mighty musician (2 wds.)
-  5 Elm Square's Interface Systems (abbrev.)
-  6 School head aches (2 wds.)
-  7 Spiders, and town, have this type of site
-  8 Added to South and Sanborn
- 9 Mom's mom
-  10 Central St. RR overpass (2 wds.)
-  11 Happy 1st birthday kid
-  13 Leno leads with his...
-  17 Vet. John Lewis sure to know one
-  20 Sundial hill
-  24 NY island or AHS record pole vaulter
-  26 So. Sch. world mind champs
- 27 Stung like a bee
- 30 Just the way _____ is
-  32 His dream arena is Reggie Lewis'
-  33 Town money man
- 34 Stuttered response
- 36 Nothing
-  40 From Abbot Hall to "China Beach"
- 43 Disdain
- 46 Break of religious commandment (2 wds.)
- 49 French I
-  50 DPW's McQuade uses plenty
- 51 mai _____
- 53 homonym of two
- 54 Doctor
- 55 Baby talk
- 57 Contraction

Townsmen EDITORIALS

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Non-incidents

Judging from the Andover police logs, some residents must have worn their dialing fingers down to a nub lately, reporting "incidents" to the Police Department.

The Foster Circle home that has strived to keep officers busy with calls the past few weeks dialed the department dozens of times last week. Police have warned the residents not to call the station unless there is a real emergency, as the responding officers – time and again – have found many of the calls to be "unfounded." The residents' response? One woman in the home called police Saturday, July 19, about 9 p.m. "to say she was having a yard sale Sunday." Several hours later, at 12:26 a.m. Sunday, a woman in the house reported another female "came into her room while she was sleeping and turned her radio on full blast." "She was told to turn down her radio," the log reported. There were three dozen calls July 4th before 7 a.m. And on July 7th, an officer was sent to the home to help a woman remove her hand from a couch.

At dusk one day last week, an Andover man called to report he had trapped a porcupine in a box. The man believed the animal was sick because of its appearance, and it wasn't the least bit afraid of the man or his dog.



Porcupine

An officer reported that the animal was a chipmunk – and released it.

Animals figure prominently in the police log – whether it's a skunk walking around in circles, a stray dog that won't stay out of a wading pool, escaped goats eating roses, a squirrel convulsing in a tree, or a bat in the old attic.



Chipmunk

Random calls to the police are by no means limited to Andover. A look at the published police logs in some North Shore towns reveals the following: A man reportedly casting spells on shrubs. A woman wearing lipstick on her forehead was handing out business cards. Two men were reported chasing each other. A fully dressed man emerged from the ocean in Marblehead. An elderly woman reported "a black thing" on her ceiling. A man was yelling at a phone at the train station. (Police found he was "mentally challenged and waiting for the last train to Beverly.") A Swampscott woman called the police because her visiting mother-in-law, who spoke only Italian, became "very excited about something." A responding officer found no problem. As is so often the case.

What will it be next week?



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Best friends – Danielle Riendeau (left), 9, and Anna Johnson, 8, catch some rays on a sunny day at Poms Pond. They met at Bancroft School. In a month, when August is just a memory, they will be fourth-graders. Only now, having transferred, Danielle will attend West Elementary instead of Bancroft.

A lot of open land is now long gone

By Taylor Armerding

It was nice of state Environmental Secretary Trudy Coxé to come to town a week ago to speak to the Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce. It was nice of her to bring one of those great big checks for the Merrimack Valley Planning Commission that are so good for photo ops, since all the pols who "fought" so hard for that money can get into the picture.

It was even nicer of her to talk about how she and Governor Bill Weld want to encourage development of what are – somewhat euphemistically – called "brown-field" sites, instead of "green-field" sites. "Brown-field" means the land is polluted in some way. "Green-field" means it's clean.

The concept is that, within reasonable limits, it makes more sense for business or industry to put buildings and parking lots on land that is already damaged in some way, rather than to build on clean sites that could be left open or put to agricultural use.

So here was her deal to prospective developers: "You will be granted immunity (from environmental liability) forever and ever if you didn't create the problem in the first place."

Great idea. Good deal.

But I'm wondering where Ms. Coxé and Mr. Weld have been over the past

six years of his administration, while environmental laws promoted the exact opposite of what they are now preaching.

They can't be blamed for creating those rules, which were in place well before they held their current positions.



But until the current "relaxation of the rules," as Ms. Coxé put it, those rules made it essentially impossible to develop land with pollution problems.

Of course it makes sense to limit what kind of development can go on polluted land. You don't want a school. You don't want to be drilling wells. You don't want a playground for kids.

But a building surrounded by an asphalt-covered parking lot? What's the problem with that, especially if any other exposed contaminated land on the site is covered and sealed?

There shouldn't be a problem. But the state, thanks to Environmental Affairs, made it impossible. Even worse than impossible.

Of course it makes sense to force

polluters to clean up messes they've made. But if the pollution was created decades ago, under much different environmental rules, by a company or firm long out of business, should the current owner be held responsible for it?

Of course not. But it has taken until now for the state to say "of course not."

I've seen it happen. In the mid-1980s, a Marblehead businessman bought some land near Beverly Airport that he had hoped to develop. During the site preparation and the required environmental evaluation of the property, he discovered that a portion of the land had been used as a dumping ground for coal tar waste by the predecessor to Mass Electric.

It didn't matter that he didn't want to develop the portion of the land that was polluted. It didn't matter that he didn't cause the pollution. The only thing that mattered was that he owned the property.

A state environmental official told me at the time, "If you own the land, you own the problem."

Bad idea. Grossly unfair. It put the businessman into receivership. Even worse, the land wasn't cleaned. Nor was it developed.

And now, a decade later, the state has finally figured out that we all own

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LETTERS

Adversity's crippled, not strengthened, education in Andover

Editor, *Townsmen*:

A great deal has already been written, and I am sure that much more will be concerning the Andover High School construction project. As president of the Teacher's Association (A.E.A.), I feel that it is necessary to publicly voice the association's concerns about the pace of work this summer. Numerous statements made by school officials indicate that only a minimal number of construction workers are onsite daily. The implication that can be drawn from this is that unfortunately, heavy construction work, including demolition will be done once again while school is in session.

Last April, Teacher Association officers, A.E.A. attorney Mary Jeanne Tufano, Town Manager Reginald Stapczynski, Mead Consulting representative Michael McCormick and Superintendent Richard Neal met in order to discuss the schedule of construction work that was to take place during the summer. It was our understanding that the heavy construction work would take place only during the summer and that only light renovation work would be done once school reopens in September. It appears that what was indicated to be the construction plan for the summer during the April meeting and the reality of the project today are diametrically different.

On behalf of the teachers and students who will be occupying the High School this September, the Teacher's Association has demanded to bargain with Town Manager Stapczynski. Specifically, we need to know about how the construction work taking place this summer is going to impact

those who will be occupying the building once school opens. The Teacher's Association needs assurances that the school will not reopen until sufficient measures have been taken so that the site is safe to occupy. This must include the approval of the appropriate inspectors, sufficient time for off-gassing of pollutants and curing of finishes with the appropriate amounts of outside air. We will also want to see the testing results for the HVAC system. In addition, the association needs to know how the future construction schedule is likely to impact upon building occupants during the academic school year.

Over the last three years, building occupants have faced such calamities as cement blocks falling from ceilings in the cafeteria and in the library annex, numerous times the school has had to be evacuated due to highly noxious fumes, and noise from demolition, drilling, etc... has rendered countless class lessons useless. Those students entering their senior year will be facing their fourth year of construction. Two years ago Town Manager Stapczynski stated at a School Committee meeting that, "the adversity created by the construction project may actually strengthen the resolve of students to better face controversial issues in the future." I believe that if a survey were taken of students, parents, teachers, and administrators, they would almost unanimously agree that the construction project has had a deleterious effect upon the health and learning of students and the staff.

It is our hope that parents and other concerned citizens will join us in demanding from town and school officials that the construction project be completed as expeditiously as possible, with the guarantee that health, safety and a conducive learning environment be provided at all times.

Tom Meyers
President
Teacher's Association (A.E.A.)

Better off with Buzz

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I would like to join my voice to those who support Buzz in the job he has done as town manager.

One of the committees that I have been fortunate to serve on, for something around 14 years, has been the Legislative Affairs Committee of the Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce. These meetings rotate between Andover, North Andover, Methuen, and Lawrence, and usually at the meetings you will find a variety of business people as well as a variety of town managers, selectmen, department heads, state reps, and occasionally a state senator or two. The meetings are always interesting. It also gives you an interesting perspective.

That perspective tells me that we are fortunate to have Buzz as our town manager. Not only does he reflect well upon the town, compared to other town managers over the past 14 years, but he also comes out very well when I compare him in my mind with prior town managers that we have had. Those town managers perhaps were better at building things, but they were not nearly as good at getting along with people and work-

ing with people. We are better off with Buzz.

Another thing that strikes me is that people seem to be saying that he is responsible for the problems at the high school. I would certainly agree that he has some responsibility, but I think others do, as well. It sounds like whoever set up the contract has some responsibility. The school board could have done a better job over the past 10 years at predicting the number of students in each school. The town planner could have controlled and predicted the growth in the town better. And the selectmen could have taken action sooner, when things started to go awry.

Rather than getting a tougher town manager, what I would like to see is that Buzz stay with Andover, and have him hire someone to manage building projects like these - someone who can get tough when he has to. It sounds like growth is something we need to learn how to cope with. But my vote is that we keep a town manager who has done a great job working with people. We should count our blessings.

David Sand
17 Abbot St.

'This Old High School'

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I don't know why I didn't come up with this sooner, but I think I have a solution for the Andover High School fiasco. Why doesn't someone call Channel 2 and ask them to make it a *This Old House* project? I'm sure that with Steve, Norm and the gang on the job, things will get straightened out fast.

At the least, the schedule will be pulled up to meet the television filming deadlines - and just think of all the great stuff for the high school that Norm could turn out in that multi-million-dollar workshop of his. He could

even make some custom cabinets to hold all the documents that are going to be produced from the multiple lawsuits that are floating around.

I really think Channel 2 would go for it. Over the years, they've taken on quite a few hopeless messes and done a great job with them. This would be just the latest challenge for them, and just think of the publicity they would get for their annual fund-raising effort. This may sound like a crazy idea to some, but I haven't seen any better ideas come up.

I can't wait until we start the next school project!

Bill Sullivan
6 Sevilla Road

Gobbling up green-field sites

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the problem, since its cure for one environmental problem has created a much bigger one.

Did those regulations prompt cleanups? Hardly. They were far too expensive, costing much more than the land itself was worth. As one attorney told me, "under these conditions, the land has negative value."

Who in their right mind would spend \$5 million to clean up a \$300,000 piece of land?

The logical result of all this is the very thing Ms. Coxie was bemoaning recently before the chamber. Brown-field sites are sitting unused and in many cases uncovered, while clean sites are being developed - probably soon to become brown-field sites themselves.

It's possible a developer would have looked more seriously at one of the two brown-field sites in Andover during the past five years if the deal now being offered was on the table.

Instead, land that might have been kept open is gone.

It's nice that Ms. Coxie and Gov. Weld have apparently seen the light. And yes, I've heard many times that in politics, the wheels of change move slowly (except, perhaps, when the Speaker wants to push through a quick raise for loyalists).

But the price is that it is many days late, many millions of dollars short, and many acres of land gone that could have been preserved.

I wonder who will pose for a photo op about that?

Valley Chamber to sponsor 2 August events

Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce and the Andover Marriott invite the public to a Summer Sunset Marketing Mixer Wednesday, Aug. 19, from 5-7 p.m. at Andover Marriott, 123 Old River Road. The mixer will feature hors d'oeuvres and beverages and display tables for products and literature.

Door prizes will be compliments of Andover Marriott, Cory Glass, Creative Gift Baskets, Ed Eich Photographic, Johnson Veterinary Clinic and the Chamber.

The cost is \$8 per person or \$10 for two. For more information, call Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce at 686-0900.

Experts to discuss public safety

The Economic Development and Education committees of the Merri-

mack Valley Chamber of Commerce will bring together a panel of experts to discuss public safety Friday, Aug. 15, at a 7:30-9:15 a.m. breakfast at Andover Marriott.

Judge John E. Fenton Jr. will be the guest moderator of a panel including Sen. James Jajuga, District Attorney Kevin Burke, Eastern District; Sheriff Frank G. Cousins Jr., Essex County; Police Chief James F. Johnson of Andover; Police Chief Leonard Barone of Haverhill; Police Chief Robert E. Hayden Jr. of Lawrence; Police Chief Edward Davis of Lowell; Police Chief Bruce MacDougall of Methuen; and Police Chief Richard Stanley of North Andover.

The cost is \$12; \$100 for a table of 10. Call the Chamber at 686-0900.

ENTERTAINMENT NUGGETS

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No laughing matter

Andover was recently on the comedy docket of actor and comedian Walt Willey, best known for playing Susan Lucci's lawyerly love interest on *All My Children*.

Mr. Willey left his fictional Pine Valley courtroom, and his real-life Santa Fe home, to play two shows at the Grill 93 Saturday.

Although he is most recognized for his soap opera role as straight-laced Jackson



Walt Willey

Montgomery, Mr. Willey also sings, writes, and hosts award shows such as the *Supermodel of the World* competition.

While he likes to have his hands in everything, however, there is one activity he says he was happy to wash his hands of — politics.

Formerly a committeeman of Ward E, District 19 in Hudson County, N.J., Mr. Willey says "I felt used in the deal." He seems content to leave the political scene to the Ronald Reagans, Sonny Bonos and Clint Eastwoods of the world.

"Politics in Jersey City was a pretty ugly thing," he says. "I served my term and I walked away from that."

Although most of his humor is autobiographical, Mr. Willey doesn't use the Jersey political scene as fodder for his comedy.

"No, because it wasn't the least bit funny. One of our mayors ended up in prison, as a matter of fact," he says.

And any time Mr. Willey wants to roll around in the mud, he can always go outside of the bed and breakfast he runs with his wife, Marie.

The Willeys breed African pygmy hedgehogs and other miniature animals

there.

"Not personally. I encourage them to do most of that work themselves," explains Mr. Willey.

"We wanted kind of a petting zoo here. When they're full size, you can't have your two-year-old around them, but when they're miniatures, you can," he says. "They're pets, mostly."

Performing's not instrumental

A cappella fans who enjoyed hearing Cuba Street resident Marc deLemos and his group The Digressions July 19 at Ballardvale United Church can catch their all-vocal vibe again next Saturday.



Marc deLemos

The Digressions will grind their grooves at The Coffee Mill in Exeter, N.H., Aug. 9. Ten days later, Boston's The Tam will host Mr. deLemos' group in that Coolidge Corner club.

Although August is one of the Digressions busiest performing months, don't expect to hear it's one of Mr. deLemos' favorite times. He says he isn't a big fan of having to sing in front of new audiences. A songwriter at heart, Mr. deLemos says he sometimes wishes he could just write his songs and privately rehearse them with the rest of the Digressions.

When one performs, notes Mr. deLemos, "You're in front of a lot of people you don't know and you're exposing your emotions to a lot of people you don't know. I'm not real fond of that."

"If I never performed again publicly, I'd probably be a very happy person," he says. "Making music to me is really a personal experience. I wouldn't want to make love in front of an audience."

Metzemaekers

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work with the tenants and employees, oversee three important maintenance projects, correct the problems found with the authority's yearly state audit, and find new ways to bring money into the authority.

The commission voted 4-0 Monday in favor choosing Ms. Metzemaekers, a property manager of a Methuen apartment complex, over fellow finalists Eileen Marsan and Sharon Ruocco.

Although Ms. Marsan is a certified accountant with experience in larger authorities and Ms. Ruocco has raised more than \$7 million through grant writing, Ms. Metzemaekers was the only candidate to receive support from both the elder-tenant and family-tenant associations.

Noting she would have an open-door policy for tenants, Ms. Metzemaekers said during interviews, "This is their home. The staff is here during the day, but this is their (the tenants') home. Everyone has to be able to air their concerns and discuss their concerns and feel they can do that at any time."

"I'm just the easiest person to get along with," she said later.

Several commissioners said the input of the housing residents played an important role in their decision.

"The three finalists were all very qualified or else they wouldn't have been finalists," said Ron Hajj, commission chairman. "The one thing that separated Christine from the rest is she has a soothing personality that will bring harmony to the office."

Ms. Metzemaekers promised people will see a quick change in the housing authority once she takes over.

"Within 90 days you'd see a marked difference in the appearance of the property. Within a few days, you'd see a difference in the way tenants are treated," she said.

The commission interviewed the finalists last Thursday, July 24, and named their selection Monday.

Members of the elder tenants association, and members of the family tenants association also interviewed the three finalists in separate sessions, and leaders of the two tenant groups recommended candidates to the commission.

Robert Fraize, president of the family tenant association, said family tenants were comfortable with both Ms. Metzemaekers and Ms. Marsan. Although Ann Rhone, president of the elder tenants association, offered support for both Ms. Ruocco and Ms. Metzemaekers at Thursday's meeting, she threw her group's support completely behind Ms. Metzemaekers before the vote Monday.

"I like to back a winner," said a smiling Ms. Rhone afterward.

"I also felt that she (Ms. Metzemaekers) was more approachable by the tenants," said Ms. Rhone. "I think that goes a long way. We had an experience with someone who was not approachable."

"We like Christine and we can work with her. She has a quality where she doesn't come off as a director, per se. She seemed more like a friend who would say, come in and sit down and talk to me," said Mr. Fraize. "They made the right choice."

Ms. Metzemaekers is expected to start proving that claim by Sept. 1. She said she wanted to stay at her current position as property manager at Methuen's Merrimack Valley Apartments because she may be expected to train the new manager there.

"I've been here a long time and I didn't want to give just the requisite two weeks notice," she said from her office Tuesday.

Until Ms. Metzemaekers' arrival, Sharon Pollard, former state senator and energy secretary, will continue serving as interim director. This is the second time in less than a year Ms. Pollard has bailed out the authority by taking the director's reins.

"They're wonderful people here and the legislature kind of takes a recess in July and August so I was able to help them out," said Ms. Pollard.

Russian TV

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are American-produced programs narrated in Russian.

Semyon Klich, of North Andover, said that he and his sister, Faina Klich, of Frye Circle, are also enjoying watching Russian programming.

"My sister got this Russian TV," Mr. Klich said. "I know how happy she is to see Russian TV because she can't yet communicate in English. The only window to the outside world for her is Russian TV."

Mr. Klich said his sister, Faina, has only been in the United States for a year and is still in the process of learning English.

"It is very difficult for her to learn English," Mr. Klich said. "When she watches Russian TV, she is very happy."

She sees familiar people and hears about events she knows about. She is very excited about it."

Mr. Klich, who often watches Russian programming with his sister when he visits her, said that Ms. Klich's friends also come over to watch TV with her.

"I know that one of her Russian friends who doesn't have Russian TV visits her frequently to share watching TV together," Mr. Klich said. "It is a big event in her life."

Ms. Lichtman first heard about the Russian TV from Svetlana Zinland, a nursing stu-

dent at Northern Essex Community College whose husband's grandmother lived in an Andover Housing Authority apartment.

Ms. Zinland asked Thelma Halberstadt, her professor and a member of the board of directors of Jewish Family Service, how Andover residents could receive the programming.



Semyon Klich



Marla Lichtman



Boris Yerozolimsky

"Svetlana Zinland approached her on behalf of the senior Russian community and asked how they could get this TV," Ms. Lichtman said. "They wanted a connection, a way of staying in touch with what is happening."

Ms. Lichtman then contacted WMNB and Mr. Dorrance, who agreed to allow the broadcasting company to install

wiring in the apartment complexes for free and provide the service to residents for a \$29 monthly fee.

"Ken said no problem and signed the agreement," Ms. Lichtman

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Lisa Adelsberger

said.

Unfortunately, Russian residents who live in Chestnut Court and in private housing in Andover and surrounding towns have been unable to get this broadcasting service as of yet.

Both Mr. Klich and Mr. Yerozolimsky said that they hope these residents can be connected to the broadcasting station, or that MediaOne adds an international channel that would broadcast Russian programming.

"This (TV) is great for all Russians. It is especially important for people like my sister who can't communicate with Americans," Mr. Klich said. "Not so long ago, I lived in North Andover housing for elderly people and I tried to receive permission (to install the wiring) and they refused. It is a problem for all the Russian people in this area."

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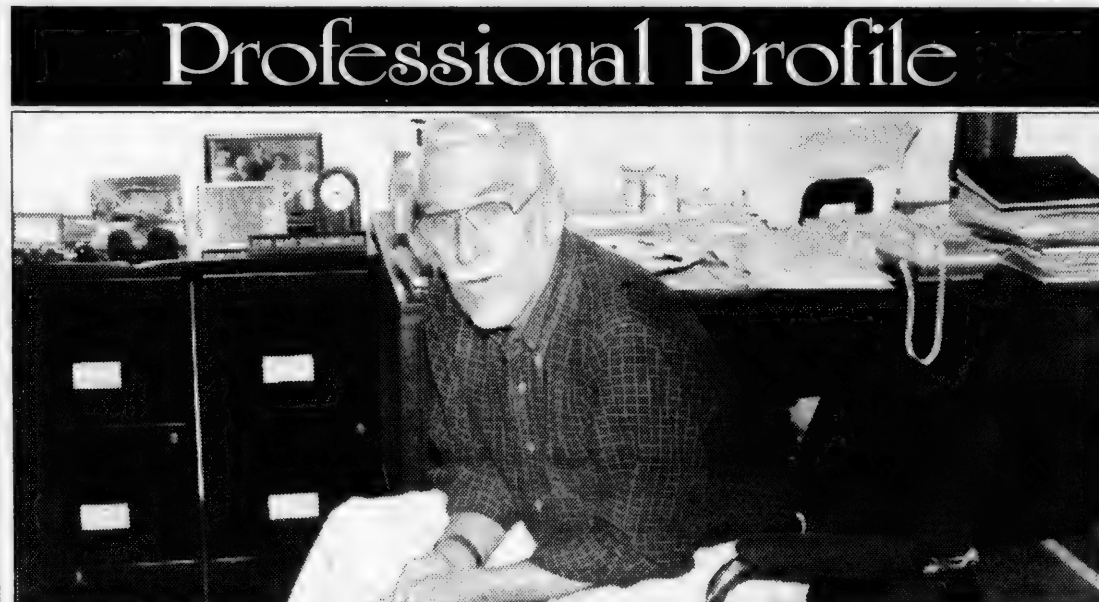
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knowledge is always the best first

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encourages clients to "know thy-
self" first and truly focus on under-
standing what needs to change in
order for the marriage to work.

"They already have the
answers, they just don't know it,"
said Mr. MacGillivray, who is mar-
ried and the father of a 21-year-
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SPORTS

Post 8 baseball team heads to State Tournament Saturday

By Rick Harrison

The Andover Post 8 American Legion baseball team qualified for the 1997 State Tournament in Worcester, which begins this Saturday, by defeating Zone 5 powers Arlington Post 39 and Lowell Post 87 in a pair of best-of-3 qualifying series.

Coach Joe Iarrobino's four-time reigning Zone 8A champs will enter the states with a spectacular 25-2 overall record, including 12 wins in their last 13 games.

Andover has drawn a tough first-game opponent in New Bedford (24-5), with the two scheduled to square off Saturday morning at 10:05 on Tivnan Field at Lake Park in Worcester.

Post 8, which will appear in its fourth state tourney since 1990, won four straight playoff games following a loss to Arlington in the first-round opener.

In the best-of-3 first-round series against Arlington Post 39, a spectacular pitching performance by Mark O'Sullivan and a courageous mound effort by 16-year-old Jason Daley brought Post 8 back from the brink of elimination to the victory.

Andover played its poorest game of the year in the opener, losing 8-3 as an uncharacteristic six errors produced six unearned runs in the game at Spy Pond Field in Arlington.

Six overpowering shutout innings by O'Sullivan enabled Post 8 to square the series with a crisp 7-0 triumph at Merrimack College.

Daley picked up the depleted pitching corps with a complete-game six-hitter in the deciding game, a 10-5 Andover victory at Spy Pond ignited by Steve Vickers who laced four hits, scored three runs and collected two RBI.

In the best-of-3 second-round series against Zone 5 runner-up Lowell Post 87, Andover won the first game 13-7 as Mark Rocca pitched four strong innings and Keith Grant crushed a long home run and double to power the attack at UMass-Lowell's Cushing Field.

The sweep was completed with a wild 11-10 triumph at Merrimack College, which saw Post 8 build and squander an 8-2 lead before rallying for the victory.

"This team has several 18-year-old leaders," said Iarrobino. "It's a great meld of players, with some talented 16- and 17-year-olds forming a group that we're (assistant coaches Kevin Rourke and Leo Gravel) extremely proud of."

"They're very dedicated to the sport and this team. They've practiced and played very hard all summer, and they definitely deserve to be in the states."

State Tournament

The double-elimination State Legion tourney will include seven Massachusetts district champions and the host team from Worcester.

Other qualifiers joining Andover and New Bedford in the



Photo by Tamar Carroll

Andover's American Legion Post 8 pitcher Mark O'Sullivan and catcher Keith Grant at play during qualifying game against Arlington at Merrimack College.

Elite 8 field are Lynn Post 6 (23-5), Greenfield (20-1), East Side of Worcester, host team Vernon Hill Post 435 of Worcester, and the winners of the Norwood-Plymouth and Braintree-Sandwich series.

Andover's best state tourney showing was in 1992 when it won three games and advanced to the semifinals before being ousted.

If Post 8 beats New Bedford on Saturday it will return to action Sunday at 5 p.m. A first-game loss puts Andover back in action in a survival game on Sunday at 11 a.m.

The tournament is scheduled to wrap up with the championship game on Wednesday night.

There will be a new state champ this year as two-time reigning titlist Swampscott did not qualify for the playoffs this summer.

The Massachusetts champ will advance to the Northeast District I Regional Tournament at Palmer Field in Middletown, Conn. from Aug. 15-19.

The American Legion World Series will be played Aug. 23-26 in Rapid City, South Dakota.

Second Round

Game 1

Andover 13

Lowell 7

Post 8 inched to a 2-0 lead with single runs in the second and third, broke it open with a five-run fourth inning, and enjoyed a 9-0 lead in the fifth before Lowell came with too little too late in the three-hour marathon at Cushing Field.

Starting Andover pitcher Mark Rocca (3-1), a 16-year-old righthander facing the most important assignment of his brief Legion career, came through with four strong innings at a time when the tired Post 8 staff needed it most.

"We were hoping to get three solid innings from Mark and we got four," said coach Iarrobino. "He struggled with his curve in the early innings, but held Lowell in check until we were able to get the big lead."

Rocca's final statistics are deceptive because most of the Lowell damage came in the fifth after he tired. In 4 1/3 innings he allowed eight hits and four runs, walking three and whiffing three.

A combination of three pitchers, lefty Dan "Goose" Gosselin, righty Rick Johnson and southpaw Rob Busby, got Andover through the final 2 2/3 frames.

Gosselin, who couldn't run but could throw, played for the first time in almost two weeks after being hit by a pitch and breaking a bone in his right foot.

Busby relieved in the sixth and got the final five outs on 25 pitches, surrendering two hits and no runs while fanning one.

Keith Grant gave Post 8 a 1-0 lead in the top of the second, belting a towering 350-foot bases-empty home run into the netting above the fence in straightaway center. The blast was Grant's fourth homer of the season.

In the third Ted Payne drew a one-out walk, Steve Vickers singled and Mark O'Sullivan lashed an RBI single.

The five-run third was launched by Ryan Hanigan's one-out double off the leftfield fence. Busby and Johnson walked to load the bases, Ben Gibson clubbed an opposite-field two-run double to left, Payne spanked a two-run single and Vickers contributed an RBI single.

The lead ballooned to 9-0 in the top of the fifth on singles by Scott Petersen, Busby who laced an RBI

shot down the right field line, Johnson and Payne (RBI).

Lowell scored its first four runs in the bottom of the fifth, but Post 8 retaliated with its final four in the sixth.

O'Sullivan singled, Grant hammered an RBI double off the fence in straightaway center, Petersen and Hanigan walked and Busby had an RBI fielder's choice.

Johnson walked to load the bases, and consecutive walks to Gibson and Payne forced home the final two runs to make it 13-4.

After scoring its last three runs in the sixth, Lowell had a man cut down at the plate in the bottom of the seventh to end the game.

Ted Payne, Mark O'Sullivan and Steve Vickers were defensive standouts for Andover.

Payne robbed Lowell's Mark Petros of extra bases early in the game, racing towards the left field line for a diving catch.

O'Sullivan had five putouts in center field, kept several Lowell runners from taking an extra base with strong throws, and almost made a spectacular full-stride basket catch in right-center in the fifth.

Vickers produced the first out of the seventh inning by grabbing a foul pop on the run near the Post 8 dugout.

Every Andover player contributed at least one safety to the 14-hit attack with Payne, Vickers, O'Sullivan, Grant and Petersen lacing two each. Busby scored three runs.

Derek Heald sparked the 13-hit Lowell offense with four singles, while Alex Mojica added two hits and Brian Durkin doubled.

Game 2

Andover 11 Lowell 10

After Lowell erased an 8-2 Andover lead with six runs in the top of the sixth, Post 8 retaliated with three in the bottom half of the inning and then hung tough as the visitors rallied for two in the seventh before falling short.

Mark O'Sullivan (6-0) earned the pitching victory with 1 1/3 innings of relief. He yielded two hits and two runs, but came through with a huge pickoff at first base in the seventh to squelch the final Lowell rally.

Leftlander Rob Busby started and pitched five strong innings. Lowell's sixth-inning rally wasn't his fault as four two-out errors opened the floodgates.

Busby left after surrendering only four hits and three earned runs in 5 2/3 frames. He struck out two and walked four.

The locals took a 1-0 lead off Lowell lefty starter Alex Mojica in the bottom of the first. Steve Vickers drilled a two-out double, O'Sullivan walked, and Vickers scored when a double steal produced a wild throw by the catcher.

With one out in the Andover second, Post 8 loaded the bases on consecutive singles by Ryan Hanigan, Busby and Rick Johnson (bunt). That set the stage for Ben Gibson's two-run single to left-center.

Andover went ahead 5-0 in the third as Keith Grant drew a one-out walk, Scott Petersen singled, Hanigan ripped an RBI single and Busby beat out a safety-squeeze bunt for a run-scoring infield hit.

Brian Durkin put Lowell on the board with a two-run homer in the top of the fourth.

Post 8 countered with three runs when Ted Payne worked a one-out walk, Vickers was hit by a pitch, O'Sullivan walked, Grant walked to force home a run, and Petersen laced a two-run single.

The 8-2 lead held until the sixth when the four-two-out errors and two walks combined with a Durkin triple, Matt Petros RBI single and Rod Day sacrifice fly for six runs and the tie.

Grant launched Andover's three-run bottom of the sixth with a hard single to center field. Petersen sacrificed him to second and Hanigan lashed a go-ahead RBI double to left.

Busby walked and immediately pulled a double steal with Hanigan. Johnson was intentionally walked to load the bases, but the strategy backfired when Gibson was hit by a pitch to force home a run.

Vickers accounted for the eventual winning run, walking on a 3-2 serve after fouling off numerous pitches to keep the at-bat alive.

In the Lowell seventh, Shaun Conway reached on a one-out error, Dave Harne hammered an RBI double, and Bryan Brunelle's run-scoring single made it 11-10.

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SPORTS TALK



Vicky Chen

Vicky Chen, a 1995 graduate of Phillips Academy, recently earned her second varsity letter in softball at Wesleyan University in Middletown, Conn.

In addition, Chen was named to the academic all-New England Small College Athletic Conference team as her grade-point average more than met the 3.2 minimum on a 4.0 scale.

Playing in 25 of the Cardinals' 27 games, Chen was Wesleyan's top pitcher with 23 appearances, 17 starts and 16 complete games.

In 115 innings she struck out 67 while posting a 9-9 record and 3.72 earned run average.

The total appearances, innings pitched and strikeouts were all single-season school records.

In two seasons, the

junior-to-be already owns the Wesleyan record for career strikeouts with 108.

Chen is also a two-time varsity letterwinner in volleyball at Wesleyan, earning academic all-

NESCAC honors in that sport as well.

At Phillips Academy, Chen was a two-time letterwinner in both volleyball and softball, earning all-star status in the former sport.

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But O'Sullivan picked Brunelle off first for the second out, and induced the next batter to bounce a game-ending grounder to short.

For the second straight game every Andover starter had at least one hit.

Petersen, Hanigan and Busby finished with two safeties each, while Petersen and Hanigan had two RBI apiece. Vickers, Grant, Hanigan and Busby all scored two runs.

Payne made another incredible diving catch in left field, this one to rob Ron Heald of extra bases and save two runs with two on and two out in the top of the fifth.

Leadoff batter Matt Petros lashed three singles for Lowell, Durkin tripled and homered and Dave Harne doubled.

Lowell finished the 1997 season with a 24-8 overall record.

First Round

Game 1

Arlington 8

Andover 3

Inexplicably the locals, top-seeded in Zone 8 and winners in 21 of their 22 regular-season games, came up flat for the opener.

"When you reach this level you can't play as poorly as we did and win," said Jarrobino. "We were just totally out of sync."

Previously-undefeated lefthander Rob Busby, whose record fell to 6-1, could have been a winner with better support. In 5 2/3 innings he yielded seven hits and eight runs, but only two of the Arlington tallies were earned. The southpaw struck out five and walked five.

Jason Daley relieved in the sixth and closed it out, pitching to one batter who was retired on a comebacker to the mound.

Andover started well, scoring two runs in the top of the first on consecutive two-out singles by Steve Vickers, Mark O'Sullivan and Keith Grant (two RBI).

Scott Petersen kept the inning alive with another single, but the next batter grounded out to keep the brief lead at 2-0.

Arlington complete-game winning pitcher Chris Kreuz settled down after the shaky

first, limiting Post 8 to only two singles and one harmless run over the final six innings.

Kreuz finished with a six-hitter, five strikeouts and three walks.

Post 39, which chipped away with runs in every inning except the third, inched ahead 3-2 with two runs in the second and put the game away with back-to-back two run rallies

in the fourth and fifth frames.

Andover had a minor threat in the fourth when Grant singled and Petersen reached on an error.

But, trailing only 3-2 with no outs and runners at first and second, Andover couldn't get a sacrifice bunt down as Kreuz retired the side on two whiffs sandwiched around a field-

er's choice grounder.

The final Post 8 run came in the sixth. Grant and Petersen drew consecutive walks, Grant advanced to third on Ryan Hanigan's long flyball out to center, and the run scored on Busby's infield out.

Vickers and Grant finished with two singles each, while

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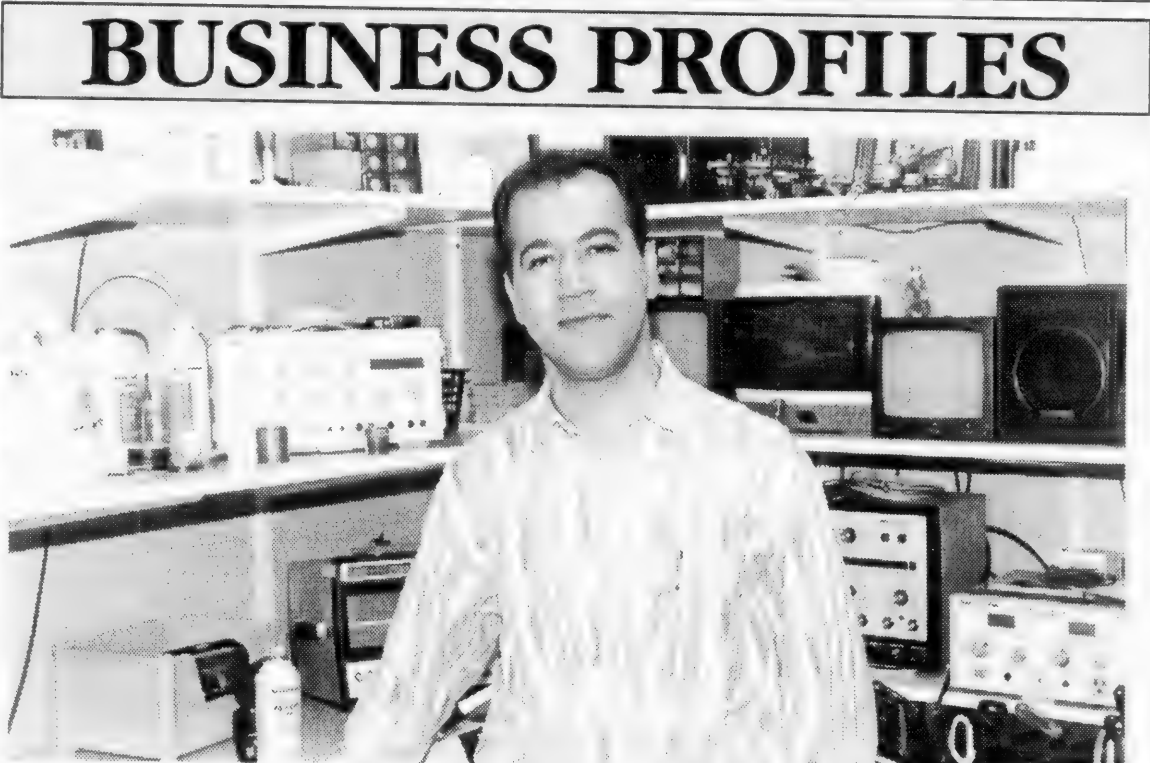
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Post 8 baseball team heads to State Tournament Saturday

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Petersen and O'Sullivan added one single apiece.

Game 2 Andover 7 Arlington 0

Mark O'Sullivan was the man of the hour as Post 8 climbed back into

fifth," said Iarrobino. "He had only thrown 65 pitches to that point, but the game was still close (4-0) so I stayed with him.

"When he left after the sixth he was at 82 pitches, which meant we'd have him for one

Rob Busby's sacrifice bunt produced a wild throw and both runs.

Andover doubled the advantage to 4-0 in the fourth on a bases-loaded two-run single by Hanigan. O'Sullivan singled, Keith Grant walked and Gibson was hit by a

put two runners aboard in the third before O'Sullivan worked free. Post 39 loaded the bases with no outs in the sixth on an error, single and walk. But O'Sullivan bore down to escape the jam on a strikeout, popout to third and groundout to first baseman Steve Vickers.

out walk, stole second and scored when O'Sullivan's infield grounder was booted in the fifth.

Gibson walked with one out, stole second and raced across on Vickers' single in the seventh.

Vickers laced four of the winners' 11 hits and

scored three runs, while Payne contributed two safeties and also scored three runs.

Petersen spanked two hits while O'Sullivan, Grant and Busby had one each.

Ryan Hanigan was the defensive standout at third base, making

several diving stops to his left and right before finishing with five assists and one putout.

Arlington Post 39, seeded No. 4 in Zone 5 behind Newton Post 440, Lowell and North Chelmsford Post 313, finished the season with an overall 18-9 record.



Photo by Tamar Carroll

Scott Peterson swings at a pitch during a game against Arlington at Merrimack College.

the series with this victory at friendly Warrior Field.

"He was magnificent," said Iarrobino. "He was so sharp and focused. 'Sully' hadn't pitched in a week so he was well-rested. He blew the fastball past the Arlington batters and he had a sharp-breaking curve. He just mowed 'em down.

"What makes the performance even more impressive is the situation," continued the coach. "Our backs were to the wall. It was win or go home. But Sully is a tremendous competitor. He had his game face on and he was really pumped up."

Iarrobino pulled O'Sullivan (5-0) after Post 8 scored three runs in the bottom of the sixth to pad the lead to 7-0.

He yielded only two hits, fanned seven, walked two and retired the side 1-2-3 in the first, second, fourth and fifth innings.

Arlington hit only four balls out of the infield, two on singles and two on outfield flies.

"I was tempted to take him out after the

or two innings if necessary in the third game the following night."

Mark Rocca pitched the seventh and preserved the shutout with another 1-2-3 inning, retiring Arlington on a pop to the catcher, strikeout and routine fly ball to center.

Post 8 grabbed a 2-0 lead in the second when Ben Gibson stroked a one-out single, Ryan Hanigan walked, and

pitch to set the table.

Rick Johnson's bases-loaded three-run double to right field closed out the offense in the bottom of the sixth.

Preceding the back-breaking stroke were a one-out single by Grant, a walk to Hanigan and a hard-hit infield single by Busby.

Arlington twice threatened to spoil the shutout.

A single and walk

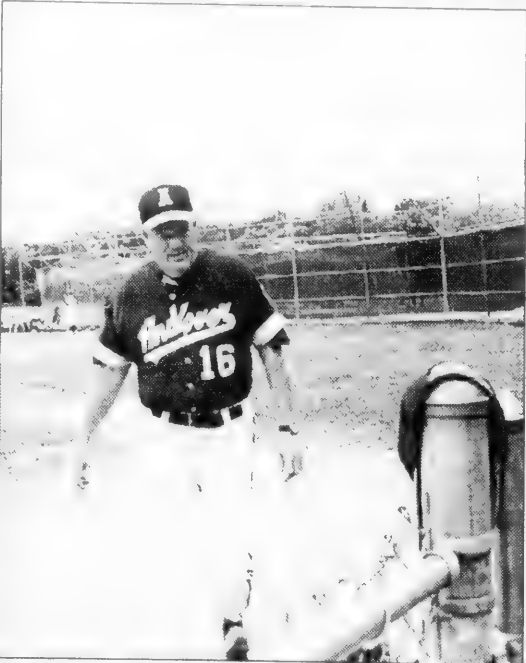


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Coach Joseph Iarrobino during a break in the action against Arlington.

Game 3 Andover 10 Arlington 5

Righthander Jason Daley improved to 3-0 as he fired a six-hitter, allowed only one earned run, fanned five and walked two in the pivotal game.

"Jason surprised all of us with his toughness under pressure," said Iarrobino. "We knew he was capable of this type of effort, but it's asking a lot of a 16-year-old to produce in this big a game.

"He pitched with tremendous poise. Every time Arlington started to get it going he bore down and got the big out."

The locals jumped ahead 2-0 in the top of the first on a one-out single by Ted Payne, an RBI triple to right-center by Steve Vickers, and a two-out run-scoring single by Keith Grant.

Arlington tied it with two runs in the home half, but Post 8 went ahead to stay with back-to-back three-run uprisings in the third and fourth frames.

In the third, Vickers ripped a two-out single and stole second. Mark O'Sullivan's fly ball down the right field line was dropped for a two-base error, allowing Vickers to cross, and Grant followed with a walk.

A passed ball moved the runners into scoring position, and Scott Petersen delivered with a clutch two-run single.

The lead swelled to 8-2 in the top of the fourth when Ben Gibson walked, Payne singled and run-scoring singles were lashed by Vickers, O'Sullivan and Petersen.

Arlington hung around with three runs in the bottom of the fourth, closing to 8-5, but Daley blanked Post 39 the rest of the way.

Andover added a pair of insurance runs in the fifth and seventh. Payne drew a one-

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Several sport package specials are being offered this fall. Soccer shoes, shin pads and a soccer ball are available for \$29.95. The beginner hockey package consisting of helmet, cage,

shin pads, elbow pads, gloves and skates costs \$129.95. Nylon school jackets, embroidery included, are priced at \$64.95.

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SHED plans win approval

(Continued from page 21) not to justify lengthening (Alderbrook Road)," said Paul Materazzo, town planner. "They have to talk to the other abutters before they can go further."

Theodore Regnante, attorney for the developer, agreed to try to get the three owners of the private portion of Alderbrook Road to deed their rights to the road over to the town

before the next Planning Board meeting.

"I will go to each of three and ask them what their opinion is of signing the deed," Mr. Regnante said.

If the owners do not agree to the proposal, Sunset Rock Road would be the only access to the new development, posing potential traffic difficulties.

"We have already seen a drastic

increase (in traffic)," said Craig Liveridge, of Sunset Rock Road. "Now we are talking about adding more houses - I have serious concern for the neighborhood, for the kids, and for the traffic problems."

In other Planning Board news

Fireworks were launched later in the evening when the Board considered the plan for the Douglass Crossing development.

Debate on the special permit for earth removal/regrading at the subdivision continued past 11 p.m., with Planning Director Stephen Colyer objecting to the amount of fill the developer intends to bring into the site

and the developer contending that he has "no other choice."

After discussing it for more than an hour and a half, sometimes heatedly, the issue remained unresolved, and Mr. Colyer hastened the meeting to an end.

"I am so uncomfortable with this, I think I am going to leave," Mr. Colyer said.

The Board voted to continue its discussion on Douglass Crossing at its next meeting.

The August 12 meeting of the Board promises to be a full one, with public hearings on Regency Heights, Walgreens and Steeple Court all on the agenda, in addition to continued deliberations on Douglass Crossing.

Premises affected are located at 137 HIGH PLAIN ROAD, Andover, Ma. in a Single Residence B District and is shown on Assessor's Map 107 as Lot 1.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
July 24 and 31, 1997

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR, in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER, on THURSDAY, August 7, 1997 AT 6:00 P.M. on the petition of MICHAEL & SARA DOUSA, 51 Ballardvale Road, Andover, Ma. for a variance from the requirements of Article VIII, Section V.A. and/or a special permit under Article VIII, Section VII.A.1 of the Zoning By-Law to allow the construction of a deck to a pre-existing, non-conforming structure.

Premises affected are located at 51 BALLARDVALE ROAD, Andover, Ma. in a Single Residence B District and is shown on Assessor's Map 98 as Lot 7.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
July 24 and 31, 1997

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR, in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER, on THURSDAY, August 7, 1997 AT 8:00 P.M. on the petition of WARREN A. MADDOX, Jr., 15 Walnut Hill Road, Derry, N. H. 03038 for a variance from the requirements of Article VIII, Section VI.P.5.b. of the Zoning By-Law to allow the construction of a dwelling in the Watershed Overlay Protection District within 50 ft. of a water body or water course as defined in the by-law.

Premises affected are located at 180 RIVER ROAD, Andover, Ma. in a Single Residence C/Industrial D District and is shown on Assessor's Map 166 as Lot 9.

DANIEL S. CASPER
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
July 24 and 31, 1997

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR, in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER, on THURSDAY, August 7, 1997 AT 7:00 P.M. on the petition of MATTHEW A. CAFFREY and LIANA D. CAFFREY, 15 Wollaston Avenue, Arlington, Ma. 02174 for a special permit under Article VIII, Section VII.A.1 of the Zoning By-Law to allow additions and alterations to a pre-existing, non-conforming structure.

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR, in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER, on THURSDAY, August 7, 1997 AT 7:00 P.M. on the petition of DAVID and JOAN BLANCHARD, 163 Elm Street, Andover, MA for a variance from the requirements of Article VIII, Section V.A. of the Zoning By-Law

and/or a special permit under Article VIII, Section VII.A.1 of the Zoning By-Law to allow additions and alterations to a pre-existing, non-conforming structure.

Premises affected are located at 163 ELM STREET, Andover, Ma. in a Single Residence B District and is shown on Assessor's Map 2 as Lot 89.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
July 24 and 31, 1997

PUBLIC NOTICE

MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
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Pursuant to Chapter 21, Section 43 of the General Laws, and 314 CMR 7.00 and 2.06, notice is given of the following application for SEWER CONNECTION PERMIT and proposed actions thereon:

CITY/TOWN: ANDOVER
PROJECT NAME: GENETICS INSTITUTE
APPLICANT: GENETICS INSTITUTE
LOCATION: ONE BURTT ROAD
PURPOSE: SEWER CONNECTION FOR BIOTECHNOLOGY FACILITY

TRANSMITTAL NO: 127244

Proposed Action: Tentative Determination to Issue

The above application, and applicable laws, regulations and procedures are available for inspection at the above address. Comments on the proposed actions or a request for a public hearing on the proposed actions must be received at the above address within thirty (30) days of this notice.

James E. Belsky
Permit Chief
Bureau of Waste Prevention
JULY 31, 1997

Muhammad R. Ahsan
Environmental Engineer

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NASSAU

SUMMONS AND NOTICE ACTION FOR DIVORCE INDEX NUMBER 97-021243

CHRISTINE ALVARADO, aka CHRISTINE LICONA, Plaintiff

VS

CARLOS FELIPE ALVARADO, Defendant

To the above named defendant:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to appear in this action by serving a notice of appearance on plaintiff's attorney within thirty days after the service of this summons is complete, and in case of your failure to appear, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint filed herein.

Dated: July 23, 1997

To the defendant **CARLOS FELIPE ALVARADO**

The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication pursuant to an order of Honorable F.Dana Winslow a justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, signed the 24th day of July, 1997, at Nassau County, New York, and filed on the 25th day of July, 1997, with the complaint in the office of the clerk of the County of Nassau, at the county court house, in Mineola, New York.

Take notice that the nature of this action and the relief sought is to obtain a divorce from you on the grounds of abandonment, and that in case of your failure to appear, judgement will be taken against you by default.

The basis of the venue designated is the residence of plaintiff, which is 42 North Village Avenue, Rockville Centre, New York. The plaintiff has been a resident of New York for more than one year prior to the commencement of this action.

Jean M. Waters
Attorney for Plaintiff
135 Rockaway Avenue
Rockville Centre, NY 11570
Telephone: (516) 536-0592

July 31, August 7 & 14, 1997

Witness, PETER W. KILBORN, Chief Justice of said Court this 23rd day of July, 1997.
Charles W. Trombly, Jr.
Recorder
July 31, 1997

AHS passes test

(Continued from page 14) should look like.

Although this so-called mock-up classroom was taken off line 17 months ago "that room is still not completed," said Superintendent Dick Neal at that meeting.

"So one could argue it's an excellent representation of what's there. It's an excellent mock up," said Tim McCarron, School Committee member.

NEWS CALENDAR

MONDAY, AUG. 4

COA Board Meeting, 8 a.m., Senior Center.

Board of Selectmen, 7:30 p.m., 3rd floor conference room, town offices.

TUESDAY, AUG. 5

Senior Center Design Selection Team, Site Evaluation Subcommittee Meeting, 7:30 a.m., ground floor, Senior Center.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 6

Senior Center Design Selection Team, 6 p.m., Senior Center.

7:30 p.m., 3rd floor conference room, town offices.

THURSDAY, AUG. 7

Senior Center Design Selection Team, Architect Selection Subcommittee Meeting, 7:30 a.m., ground floor conference room, town offices.

Board of Appeals, 6 p.m., 2nd floor, Memorial Hall Library.

On agenda: Regular monthly hearing.



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LEGAL NOTICES

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BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR, in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER, on THURSDAY, August 7, 1997 AT 6:00 P.M. on the petition of DANIEL TAMBASCO, 41 Washington Avenue, Andover, Ma. for a variance from the requirements of Article VIII, Section V.A. of the Zoning By-Law to allow the construction of a deck to a pre-existing, non-conforming structure.

Premises affected are located at 41 WASHINGTON AVENUE, Andover, Ma. in a Single Residence A District and is shown on Assessor's Map 21 as Lot 66.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
July 24 and 31, 1997

COMMONWEALTH OF
MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
THE PROBATE
AND FAMILY COURT
ESSEX DIVISION

Docket No. 97P 1674-EP1
Estate of EMILY W. TAFT, otherwise known as EMILY WALTON TAFT late of Andover in the County of Essex.

NOTICE

A petition has been presented in the above-captioned matter praying that a certain instrument be probated purporting to be the last will and four codicils of said deceased by FREDERICK LOCKWOOD TAFT of Georgetown in the State of Maine and STATE STREET BANK & TRUST of Boston in the County of Suffolk, praying that they be appointed executors thereof, without giving a surety on their bond; and to the ATTORNEY GENERAL of said COMMONWEALTH.

If you desire to object to the allowance of said petition, you or your attorney should file a written appearance in said Court at Salem on or before 10:00 in the forenoon on August 18, 1997.

In addition you should file a written statement of objections to the petition, giving specific grounds therefore, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the Court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

Witness, Edward J. Rockett, Esquire, First Justice of said Court at Salem, the twenty-third day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and ninety-seven.

Pamela Casey O'Brien
Register of Probate
July 31, 1997

OFFICE OF THE
BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR, in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER, on THURSDAY, August 7, 1997 AT 7:00 P.M. on the petition of CHRISTOPHER QUARATARO, 70 Holt Road, Andover, Ma. for a variance from the requirements of Article VIII, Section V.A. of the Zoning By-Law to allow the construction of a deck attached to a pre-existing, non-conforming structure.

Premises affected are located at 70 HOLT ROAD, Andover, Ma. in a Single Residence B District and is shown on Assessor's Map 42 as Lot 39.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
July 24 and 31, 1997

OFFICE OF THE
BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR, in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER, on THURSDAY, August 7, 1997 AT 6:00 P.M. on the petition of SEAN T. ENRIGHT, 6 Elm Court, Andover, Ma. for a variance from the requirements of Article VIII, Section V.A. of the Zoning By-Law and/or a special permit under Article VIII, Section VII.A.1 of the Zoning By-Law to allow additions and alterations to a pre-existing, non-conforming structure.

Premises affected are located at 6 ELM COURT, Andover, Ma. in a Single Residence A District and is shown on Assessor's Map 38 as Lot 120.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
July 24 and 31, 1997

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BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR, in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER, on THURSDAY, August 7, 1997 AT 7:00 P.M. on the petition of DAVID and CARTER ROUNTREE, 93 Salem Street, Andover, MA for a special permit under Article VIII, Section VII.A.1 of the Zoning By-Law to allow additions and renovations to a pre-existing, non-conforming structure.

Premises affected are located at 93 SALEM STREET, Andover, Ma. in a Single Residence B District and is shown on Assessor's Map 42 as Lot 25.

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July 24 and 31, 1997

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NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR, in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER, on THURSDAY, August 7, 1997 AT 8:00 P.M. on the petition of GEORGE J. COOKE, Jr., 8 Dufton Road, Andover, Ma. as a party aggrieved by a decision made by the Inspector of Buildings or other authority regarding the enforcement of a special permit granted by the Board of Appeals on May 7, 1993, decision #2339.

Premises affected are located at 2-6 DUFTON ROAD, Andover, Ma. in a Single Residence A District and is shown on Assessor's Map 19 as Lot 3.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
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JULY 24 AND 31, 1997

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NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR, in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER, on THURSDAY, August 7, 1997 AT 7:00 P.M. on the petition of EDWARD J. HIGGINBOTTOM, 21 Magnolia Avenue, Andover, Ma. for a special permit under Article VIII, Section VII.A.1 of the Zoning By-Law to allow additions and alterations to a pre-existing, non-conforming structure.

Premises affected are located at 21 MAGNOLIA AVENUE, Andover, Ma. in a Single Residence A District and is shown on Assessor's Map 51 as Lot 18.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
July 24 and 31, 1997

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BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR, in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER, on THURSDAY, August 14, 1997 AT 7:00 P.M. on the petition of VICOR CORPORATION, 23 Frontage Road, Andover, Ma. for an extension of decision #2599 and also for a modification of decision #2599 to include adjacent land and to allow parking or accessory parking for the intended building.

Premises affected are VACANT LAND WITH FRONTAGE ON FRONTAGE ROAD, Andover, Ma. in a Single Residence C District and is shown on Assessor's Map 179 as Lots 30A, 30B, and a portion of 30T.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
July 31 & August 7, 1997

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BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR, in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER, on THURSDAY, August 7, 1997 AT 7:00 P.M. on the petition of KOH, YUNGBOK P., 3 Appletree Lane, Andover, Ma. for a special permit under Article VIII, Section VII.A.1 of the Zoning By-Law to allow additions and alterations to a pre-existing, non-conforming structure.

Premises affected are located at 3 APPLETREE LANE, Andover, Ma. in a Single Residence B District and is shown on Assessor's Map 42 as Lot 18.

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NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR, in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER, on THURSDAY, August 7, 1997 AT 8:00 P.M. on the petition of OMNIPOINT COMMUNICATIONS, 705 Myles Standish Blvd., Taunton, MA 02780 for a special permit under Article VIII, Section IV.B.33 of the Zoning By-Law to allow the installation of 9 communication antennas on a pre-existing tower.

Premises affected are located at 119 CHANDLER ROAD, Andover, Ma. in a Single Residence C District and is shown on Assessor's Map 129 as Lot 13.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
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BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR, in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER, on THURSDAY, August 14, 1997 AT 7:00 P.M. on the petition of MAUREEN SULLIVAN, et al, 16 Balmoral Street, Andover, Ma. as a party aggrieved by a decision made by the Inspector of Buildings regarding the use, accessory uses and lighting of premises currently used for recreational purposes including playing fields.

Premises affected are VACANT LAND WITH FRONTAGE ON BALMORAL & YORK STREETS, Andover, Ma. in a Single Residence A District and is shown on Assessor's Map 36 as Lot 8.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
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July 31 & August 7, 1997

OFFICE OF THE
BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR, in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER, on THURSDAY, August 7, 1997 AT 6:00 P.M. on the petition of DANA T. WILSON, P. O. Box 5058, Andover, Ma. for a special permit under Article VIII, Section IV.B.16.b. of the Zoning By-Law to allow the sale of food and drink off the premises.

Premises affected are located at 9 ELM STREET, Andover, Ma. in a General Business District and is shown on Assessor's Map 39 as Lot 21.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
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OFFICE OF THE
BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR, in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER, on THURSDAY, August 7, 1997 AT 6:00 P.M. on the petition of BENJAMIN LEVY, 47 Brown Street, Andover, Ma. for a special permit under Article VIII, Section VII.A.1 of the Zoning By-Law to allow additions and renovations to a pre-existing, non-conforming structure.

Premises affected are located at 47 BROWN STREET, Andover, Ma. in a Single Residence C District and is shown on Assessor's Map 212 as Lot 7.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
July 24 and 31, 1997

OFFICE OF
THE BOARD OF
APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR, in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER, on THURSDAY, August 14, 1997 AT 7:00 P.M. on the petition of JUNE C. DIPETRILLO and PORTLAND AVENUE ASSOCIATES, LLC, c/o 66 Park Street, Andover, Ma. for a special permit under Article VIII, Section IV.B.20 of the Zoning By-Law to allow the construction of a three-story hotel and also for a variance under Article VIII, Section V.8.a & b. of the Zoning By-Law to allow improvements within 300 feet of a residential structure and other improvements within 100 feet of the property line.

Premises affected are located at 168 RIVER ROAD, Andover, Ma. in an Industrial D District and is shown on Assessor's Map 166 as Lot 5.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
July 31 & August 7, 1997

OFFICE OF THE
BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held in MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR, in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER, on THURSDAY, August 7, 1997 AT 6:00 P.M. on the petition of S A N D R A VERREAULT/VIRGINIA BUTCHER, 4 Washington Avenue, Andover, Ma. for a variance from the requirements of Article VIII, Section V.A. of the Zoning By-Law and/or a special permit under Article VIII, Section VII.A.1 of the Zoning By-Law to allow the construction of a deck attached to a pre-existing, non-conforming structure.

Premises affected are located at 4 WASHINGTON AVENUE, Andover, Ma. in a Single Residence A District and is shown on Assessor's Map 21 as Lot 89.

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The following is a list of properties in Andover that sold from June 30 to July 4.

1 Sharon Clark bought 23 Moraine St., for \$168,800, from Cornelia Lawrence. The mortgage is with Interate National Mortgage Corp.

2 Linda Lipton bought 2 Apollo Circle, Lot 20, for \$233,000, from Kirill Gayl. The mortgage is with PHH Mortgage Services Corp.

3 Peter W. Smith bought 72 Central St., Lot 5, for \$475,000, from David M. Abbot. The mortgage is with Norwest Mortgage of Massachusetts, Inc.

4 Kenneth W. Sonberg bought 6 Greybitch Road, Lot 3, for \$398,500, from C. Kenneth Gray. The mortgage is with Schaefer Mortgage Corp.

5 Steven J. Druth bought 12 Rennie Drive, Lot 13, for \$258,000, from Dominic P. Marro. The mortgage is with Ford Consumer Finance Co., Inc.

6 Michael T. Buotte bought 2 Carmel Road, Lot 12, for \$248,000, from Brett A. Guisinger. The mortgage is with Merrimack Valley Federal Credit Union.

7 Electra Lembesis bought 354 North Main St., Unit 205, for \$85,000, from Patrick J. Winters. The mortgage is with Peoples Mortgage Corp.

8 Christopher Patten bought 4 George St., Lot 13, for \$264,000, from Michael P. Parsons. The mortgage is with Chase Manhattan Bank, USA, NA.

9 Seth H. Lerner bought 75 Argilla Road, Lot A, for \$380,000, from L & A Realty Trust. The mortgage is with Andover Bank.

Source: Essex County Registry of Deeds, Lawrence Branch.



Photo by Tamar Carroll

This home, at 72 Central St., was recently sold for \$475,000. The mortgage is with Norwest Mortgage of Massachusetts Inc.

10 Mary Reiss Bewig bought 75 Stevens St., Lot 5, for \$128,000, from Larry M. Lewis. The mortgage is with Olde Towne Mortgage Co., Inc.

11 Jeffrey C. Yehle bought 117 Lowell St., for \$256,500, from Robert E. McDonald. The mortgage is with Bank Of America.

12 Jonathan A. Peck bought 22 Clark Road, Lot B, for \$225,000, from Jerome Henri Sein. The mortgage is with Winchester Savings Bank.

13 Keith W. Iwanicki bought 7 Carlisle St., Lot 45, for \$212,500, from Austin Peter O'Toole. The mortgage is with Institution for Savings in Newburyport & Its Vicinity.

14 Kirill Gayl bought 14 Ravens Bluff, Lot 9, for \$448,000, from Richard J. Simons. The mortgage is with Accubanc Mortgage Corp.

15 Roger Lier bought 24 McKenney Circle, Lot 39, for \$180,000, from Judith Corrado. The mortgage is with Andover Bank.

16 Donald G. Miller bought 25 Marilyn Road, Lot 25, for \$270,600, from John Logan. The mortgage is with Countrywide Home Loans, Inc.

17 J. Kenneth Griffin bought 14 Heather Drive, for \$418,000, from D. Richard Lundgren. The mortgage is with Andover Bank.

18 Dean J. Voyer bought 33 Corbett Road, Lot 5A, for \$138,000, from Fedral National Mortgage Association. The mortgage is with First Eastern Mortgage Corp.

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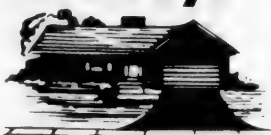
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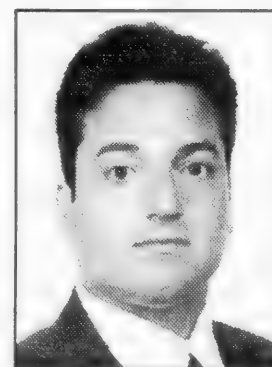
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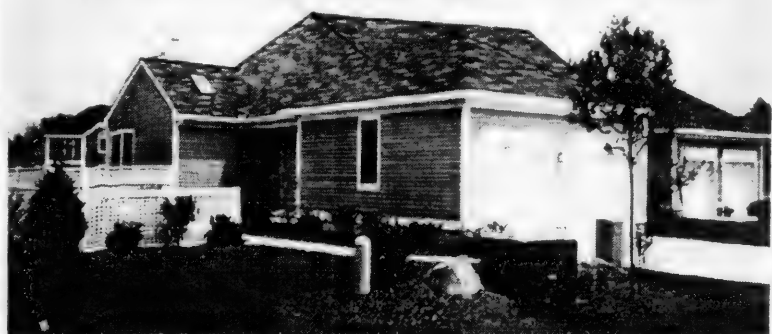
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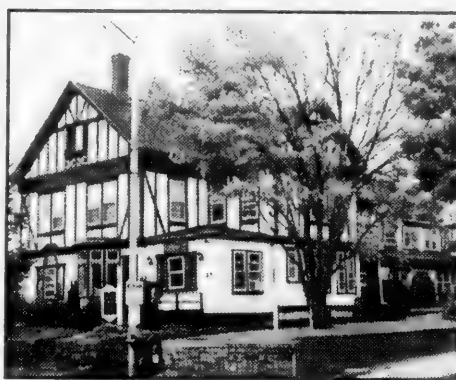
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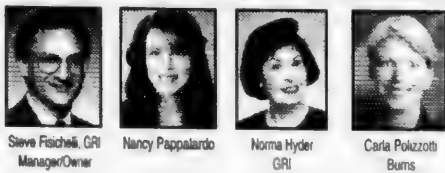
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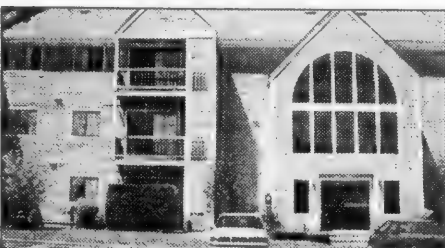
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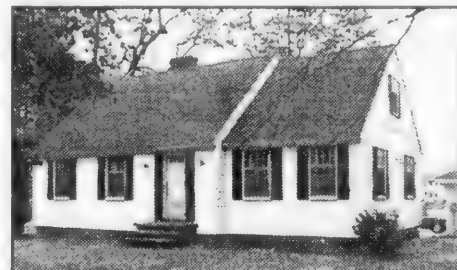


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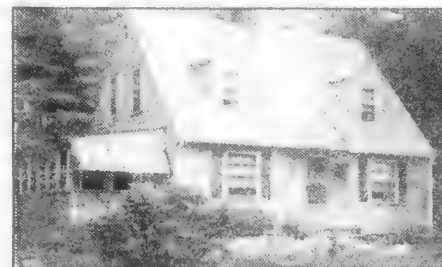


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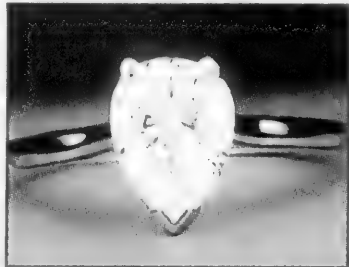
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A guide to local resources

By Joyce Crane



Marriage remains one of our most cherished and sacred rituals in the United States.

But what future bride is fully prepared for the challenges of planning a wedding? She wants it to be perfect. She wants no concessions, no compromises. And then reality sets in. Everything costs more than anticipated, and the guest list needs paring. The dress she loves makes her look like a whale, and the function hall is booked on the same weekends the church has openings.

The synthesis of fantasy with reality is never more tested than when young women plan weddings. A lifetime of dreams do not succumb easily to the necessities of a budget, the realities of an imperfect figure, and the inconveniences of schedules.

Is there any way to prepare for the trauma of it all? An honest answer is no, but knowing where to find resources can ease the pain and make the process go smoothly.

What to do first: One year before

The function hall

Okay, so you're engaged. Now what? Before panic sets in, think it through and you'll realize that booking the function hall and church or synagogue are your first steps. Booking a facility one year in advance will give you and your fiancé more choices for preferable dates. At the Andover Country Club, June, once the

month of choice, has given way to October as the most popular month for weddings, according to Patrick McNamara, general manager. McNamara surmises that June can be cool and wet, while October provides comfortable, dry weather with the added bonus of beautiful foliage. All three-function rooms at the Andover County Club have terraces offering sweeping views of the scenic golf course. Wedding parties can range in size from 160 to 250 people.

The Andover Inn at Phillips Academy also accommodates wedding parties ranging in size from 15 to 150 people. Germano's in Tewksbury has three function rooms, and the Andover Marriott has available function rooms, as well.

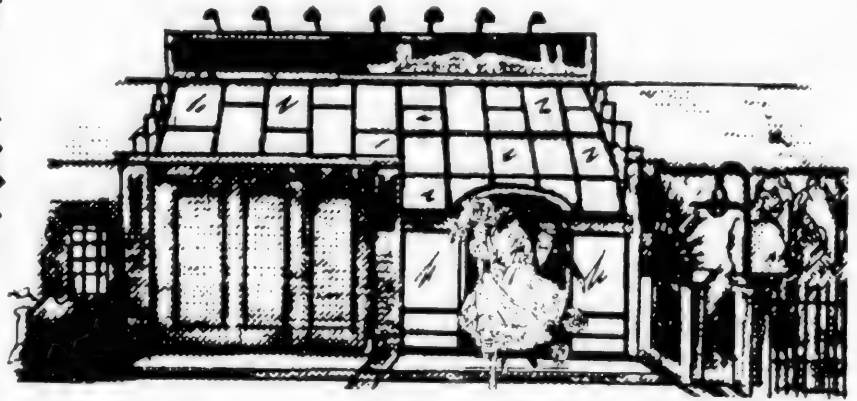
The wedding dress

Deciding on the right wedding dress can be a tricky part of the planning process. For some practical young women, a trip to Filene's Basement's wedding gown sale is all it takes. For others, the dress is symbolic of a childhood fantasy. It must encompass beauty and elegance to transform them into Cinderella at the Ball. A visit to Cristina's on Main Street can make the fantasy a reality. Cristina and Stephen Kalman have established one of the most elegant shops in the area selling such desirable and exclusive lines as Amsale, Lozano, Carmela, Suter, Wearstatt, and Richard Glasgow. Prices range from \$1000 to \$3000. Professional seamstresses work tirelessly to accomplish the best fit for each bride, and custom-made headpieces are available

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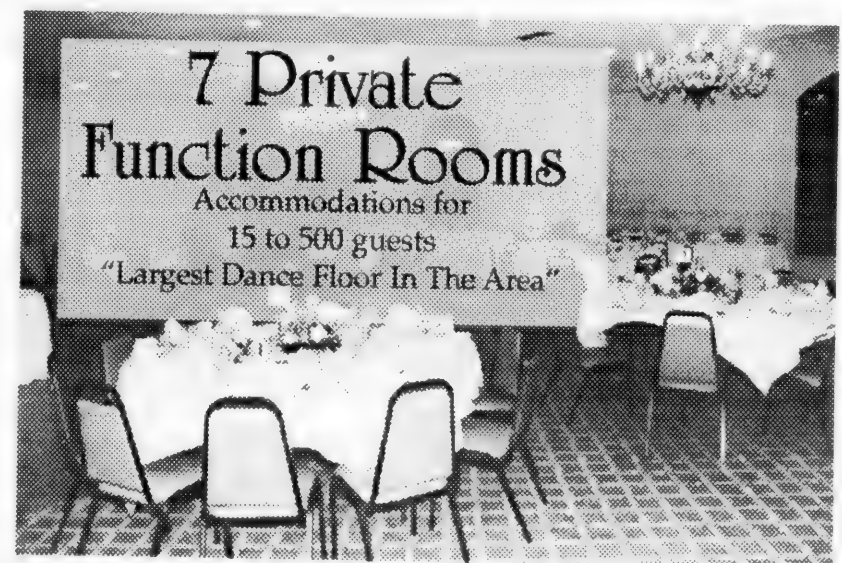
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through Regalia. Even the bride's shoes can be purchased at Cristina's.

Other area bridal shops include the Abbey on North Main Street and Bridaloft in Salem, N.H.

The photographer and video services

After the wedding, what's left of the grand day but memories and photographs? Choosing a qualified photographer with whom the couple and family members feel comfortable is a crucial part of the planning process. An unobtrusive, effective photographer is worth every penny. The same goes for the videographer—a relatively new component of the wedding event. Twenty years ago, a few savvy brides hired filmmakers to shoot their weddings. Ten years ago, friends shot videos of the wedding and presented it to the couple at the end of the day. But that was a hit or miss event that might have the camera on people drinking shots at the bar while the bride and her father danced. Today, professional videographers are considered as essential as the photographer and can be counted upon to film the treasured moments.

The tuxedos and bridesmaids' dresses

Once you and your future mate have settled on who will be in the bridal party, it's time to gather everyone together and have them order their outfits. The groom and ushers can rent at Tuxedos at Kaps in Andover Center where store Manager Brian Parshley stands ready to help. Mr. Parshley said that rental prices range from \$79 to \$120 per tuxedo, and ushers are

allowed to keep the suits from the Thursday before the wedding to the Monday after. Bridesmaids traditionally purchase their dresses and are responsible for ordering and having them altered in time for the wedding. Bridesmaid's dresses are available at Cristina's and other bridal gown shops.

The disc jockey

Without music there would be few candid photographs of the couple's special day. Today, a disc jockey is indispensable because the music connects people through movement and memory. Old timers will swing to Benny Goodman, middle-agers will rock to Bob Seger, and the young crowd will dance to anything. According to Methuen professional disc jockey and emcee Bruce Ingalls, the Macarena and even the Electric Slide continue to be the big "get up and dance" numbers. Ingalls says he plays songs ranging from the 1940s to today's top forty.

Transportation

If you're planning to rent limousines for transporting the bridal party to and from the wedding, schedule a service well in advance because cars are limited. Black Tie Limousine in North Andover and Andover Limousine are two area businesses, which provide cars for weddings.

What to do next: Six months to one year before

The florist

Flowers and centerpiece choices are

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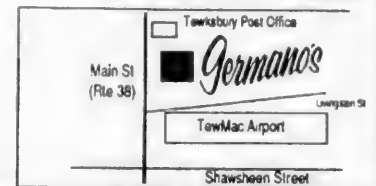


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generally made after the dress is ordered and colors are chosen. Floral pieces are then used to complement and accent. Two weeks before the wedding, schedule an appointment to meet with the florist to finalize the floral arrangements. Imagine That Florist on Stevens Street and Les Fleur on North Main Street are two resources.

The wedding invitations

The Write Place on Essex Street offers traditional and contemporary wedding invitations. At Annie's Hallmark in Salem, N.H., couples can order invitations as well as guest books, unity candles, and toasting glasses.

The rehearsal dinner

Vincenzo's in Andover center is ready, willing and able to throw a great party for fifty or less on the night before your wedding, according to General Manager Diane Wright. If you like quality Italian food stop in for a sample and take a look at the rehearsal dinner menu selections. Prices range from \$22.95 to \$31.95 per person and menu choices include a popular family style meal, which allows the host to choose platters ahead of time.

Wedding favors

Gift your guests with something special for attending. Favors can be ordered through Treasured Memories on Main St., North Andover, where store owner Vena Patel makes silk bouquets, glass lamps with pressed flowers, shadow boxes, guest list trays, and money envelopes.

Wrapping things up: Three to six months before

The registry

It's time to register for your wedding gifts. Many Andover residents head for Macy's at the Rockingham Mall where a computerized bridal registry limits the possibility of couples receiving duplicate items. Bridal Registry Consultant Joanne Toomey said that the majority of brides still register for fine china although other popular requests include juice-makers, breadmakers, and luggage. And while it's not necessary, Ms. Toomey said that some couples register even one to two years prior to the wedding. To date, she said she has about twenty-five couples registered for fall 1998.

The rings

If wedding rings were not purchased with the engagement ring, it's time to decide what each of you wants. Will they be matching his and hers? Does she want diamonds while he wants a plain, gold band? A large selection of rings can be found at Diamond Jewelers at the Rockingham Mall in Salem, N.H., including trio sets, bands, wraps, and inserts.

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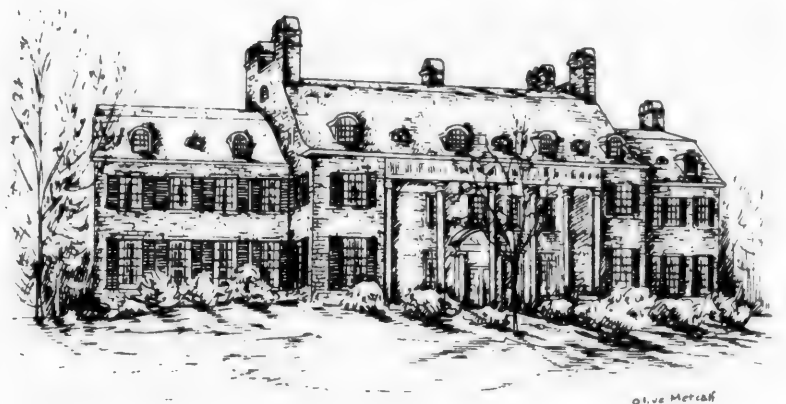
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Wedding simplicity is today's trend

Simple elegance is the theme of most weddings today. From the dress to the flowers, simple and elegant are the words used to describe the effect.

Stephen Kalman of Cristina's dress shop in Andover purchases bridal dress lines that offer few of the embellishments from days past. Gone are the lace and hand-sewn beads and sequins. Instead, said Mr. Kalman, "Fabrics are making the gowns today."

Silk-faced satin, silk organza, and silk peau-de-soire are the fabrics of choice for today's designers.

"They feel better and lay better on the body," Mr. Kalman said. "Brides today are going for comfort because they want to enjoy the wedding." To that end, brides are opting for simple sweep trains that extend only three to five inches from the gown and are easily lifted with Velcro strips for the reception.

But fashion simplicity is not the only change in wedding culture these days:

At the Andover Country Club, General Manager Patrick McNamara says he has noticed a return to the Victori-

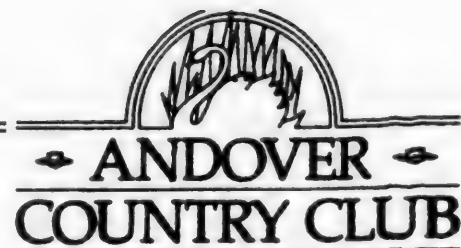
an romance era as brides choose roses and lace for the floral arrangements in such traditional colors as pale pink with ivory.

Disc Jockey's are in, and bands are out. More and more young couples are opting for the variety and selection that compact discs can provide.

Men are choosing traditional black tuxedos over the past trends of purples, grays, and blues, according to Brian Parshley, manager of Tuxedos at Kaps. Gone also are the formerly popular morning suits for day weddings, but tails remain a popular choice for evening weddings, and vests are hot, said Mr. Parshley.

Another new trend helps the bride and groom to capture every moment of the wedding. Disposable cameras are placed at tables for guests to use and leave for the couple to process and incorporate into an album of candid photographs.

And finally, at the bridal registry, some things never change: Lenox and Noritake china in simple patterns are the most common picks among engaged couples, said Joanne Toomey, Macy's Bridal Registry consultant in Salem, N.H.



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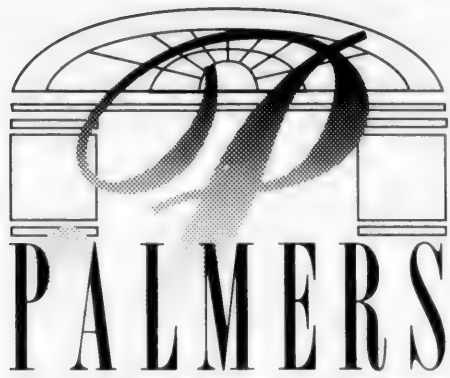
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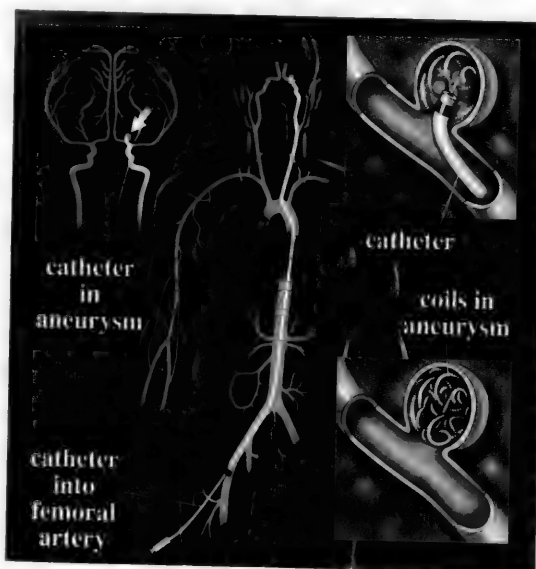
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New Technologies for Stroke Treatment

Only a few years ago, strokes were viewed fatalistically. Because little could be done to alter their course, they weren't considered medical emergencies. Instead, doctors focused on rehabilitation once the stroke was over. Recently, however, more effective treatments have emerged—making every second count when a stroke hits.

Types of Strokes

Strokes occur when an artery that supplies blood to the brain either bursts or becomes clogged, thus starving the affected region of oxygen-rich blood and killing brain cells. They can cause permanent disability, such as paralysis, weakness, loss of sensation, speech difficulties or even death. This nation's third leading cause of death, strokes affect more than half a million people in the United States each year, killing 150,000 and disabling 300,000.



During endovascular therapy, a catheter is inserted into the femoral artery in the groin and guided to the brain. To treat an aneurysm, tiny coils are inserted through the catheter to keep additional blood from flowing into the aneurysm. In some cases of ischemic stroke, the catheter is used to deliver anti-clotting agents directly to the blood clot.

According to Kinan Hreib, M.D., Ph.D., a neurologist at the Neurovascular Center at Lahey Hitchcock Medical Center, there are two basic types of stroke—ischemic strokes and hemorrhagic strokes.

Ischemic strokes, which account for the majority of cases, are caused by blood clots that obstruct blood flow to part of the brain. If a large artery is obstructed, this may cause a large stroke, sometimes affecting an entire hemisphere, or half of the brain. When a small artery is obstructed, the damage may be small in size—but not necessarily small in consequence. "If it affects part of the brain responsible for language, the effect can be devastating, even if the size of the stroke was small," Dr. Hreib says.

There are two forms of *hemorrhagic* strokes. *Cerebral hemorrhage*, often caused by hypertension (high blood pressure), occurs when a small

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The Importance of Routine Eye Care

"It's important for everyone to seek routine eye care," says John Rathjens, O.D., optometrist at the Lahey Hitchcock Eye Center that was recently opened at Symmes Hospital and Medical Center in Arlington. "This is especially true for the elderly, those with a family history of eye disease or people with health problems such as diabetes, high blood pressure and arthritis. They need to be examined at least yearly."

For those without specific health problems or poor vision, routine exams should begin about age five and continue every two years until age 50.

Patients older than 50 should be examined every year.

Refractive Disorders: Nearsightedness (myopia) occurs when the cornea is too steep and causes the incoming image to be focused in front of—instead of directly on—the retina. Farsightedness (hyperopia) is the opposite problem and the image is focused behind the retina. With astigmatism, the refraction is spread over a diffuse area due to differences in the curvature of the cornea and lens. These vision problems can be corrected with glasses, contact lenses

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terminal artery in the brain bursts, causing blood to accumulate in the brain tissue. A *subarachnoid hemorrhage* occurs when a weakened blood vessel on the surface of the brain ruptures, spilling blood into the subarachnoid space, the space between the brain and the skull. This type of hemorrhage occurs from an aneurysm or brain arteriovenous malformation. The hemorrhage not only deprives regions of the brain of needed blood, but leaking blood can also apply pressure to brain tissue and interfere with its function.

Diagnosis Is Key

Careful diagnosis is essential to effective and proper treatment of strokes. Once a patient comes in with stroke symptoms, doctors may use a number of tests to confirm or rule out a stroke, evaluate neurological deficits, and determine the type of stroke. For instance, they will assess paralysis, test hearing, vision, reflexes and perception of pain and touch.

A computerized tomography (CT) scan can clearly identify a hemorrhage, which looks very bright against the relatively dark background of the brain. It can sometimes detect an ischemic stroke, but often the brain looks perfectly normal immediately after an ischemic stroke and the damage does not show up until hours later. When a stroke is suspected but does not show up on a CT scan, another scanning test called magnetic resonance imaging, or MRI, may be used. An MRI can usually detect an ischemic stroke earlier than a CT scan.

Clotbusters

Very recently, doctors have discovered that some ischemic strokes can be treated effectively with drugs called thrombolytic or "clot-dissolving" drugs, or simply, "clotbusters." For years, these drugs have been used in treating heart attacks, but they have only recently been proven beneficial in treating strokes. In a study reported in the *New England Journal of Medicine* in 1995, patients who had been given a clot-dissolving drug called tissue plas-

minogen activator (TPA) intravenously within three hours of the onset of an ischemic stroke were at least 30 percent more likely to have escaped permanent serious disability three months later than those not given the drug.

"That study was a milestone," says Dr. Hreib. "It changed everything in the way we treat ischemic strokes."

Unfortunately, clotbusters can help only a small percentage of patients. For those who have hemorrhagic strokes, clotbusters won't help and can make the bleeding worse, so a CT scan must be done to rule out hemorrhaging before thrombolytic drugs are given. And, using these agents more than three hours after an ischemic stroke

may put patients at an unacceptably high risk for hemorrhaging.

Interventional Neuroradiology

Large ischemic strokes and those occurring more than three hours prior to treatment are generally not considered good candidates for the intravenous injection of thrombolytic agents. However, some of these strokes may be treated through a new technology called interventional neuroradiology. According to In Sup Choi, M.D., director of interventional neuroradiology at Lahey Hitchcock's Neurovascular Center, this involves "plumbing" the brain's arteries or fixing them from the inside.

TREATING ANEURYSMS

A brain aneurysm is an abnormal bulging of an artery's wall. Sometimes a sack is formed which fills with blood. In most cases, they don't do any harm or cause any symptoms. However, especially when they are large, they may burst and cause hemorrhages. Doctors do not routinely screen for aneurysms, but may look for them in people who are at high risk, such as patients with connective tissue disorders like polycystic kidney disease or with a strong family history of aneurysms.

Surgical Approach

Dangerous-looking aneurysms may be treated with surgery during which a clip is placed across the neck of the aneurysm, preventing more blood from entering it. If there is a clot in the aneurysm, the clip also prevents the clot from entering the artery and possibly causing a stroke.

Endovascular Therapy

In some cases, an aneurysm may be in a location that is difficult to reach safely with surgery, or patients cannot tolerate or don't want surgery. Endovascular treatment involves inserting a catheter into the femoral

artery in the groin, guiding it to the brain and into the aneurysm. Through this catheter, the aneurysm can be packed with tiny platinum coils that keep the arterial blood from flowing into it.

Endovascular treatment is facilitated by a sophisticated imaging technique called rotational biplane angiography. A dye is injected into the bloodstream and the brain is scanned from different angles along a 180-degree arc. This provides a detailed three-dimensional image of the brain on a high-definition video monitor. It allows doctors to rotate the image in any direction, focus only on certain arteries, and even magnify the tiniest blood vessels for careful scrutiny.

"A multidisciplinary approach is very important in the care of blood vessel diseases," says In Sup Choi, M.D., director of interventional neuroradiology at Lahey Hitchcock Medical Center. "Our Neurovascular Center has all the involved specialists working together—neurosurgeons, neurologists, interventional neuroradiologists, diagnostic radiologists and vascular surgeons."

With the aid of biplane angiography (see sidebar: "Treating Aneurysms"), a catheter is threaded into the affected artery in the brain to deliver a thrombolytic drug directly into the clot. In this way, enough of the clotbuster to dissolve the clot can be administered without exposing other blood vessels to dangerously high levels of the drug.

The Future of Stroke Treatment

According to Dr. Hreib, another advance on the horizon for treating ischemic strokes is neuroprotective agents. Rather than dissolving clots, these drugs actually help protect the neurons (or brain cells) from the damage caused by lack of blood.

Neuroprotective agents are currently being evaluated in clinical trials. If they are found to be safe and effective, they should be clinically available within the next few years.

For an appointment in the Neurovascular Center, call 617-744-3250.

WARNING SIGNS OF STROKE

Knowing the signs of stroke could save vital brain power and maybe even your life. Here are the signs to look out for, according to the American Heart Association:

- Sudden weakness or numbness of the face, arm or leg on one side of the body.
- Sudden dimness or loss of vision, particularly in only one eye.
- Loss of speech or trouble talking or understanding speech.
- Sudden severe headaches with no apparent cause.
- Unexplained dizziness, unsteadiness or sudden falls, especially along with any of these previous symptoms.

If you experience any of these symptoms, don't wait for them to go away—see a doctor immediately!

YOU ASKED

Question: What causes hives?

Answer: The term "hives" is commonly used to describe a rash associated with an annoying itch and swelling. "The medical term for hives, urticaria, comes from the Latin term for the nettle plant, which produces itching and redness upon direct contact," says David M. Driscoll, D.O., a physician in the Section of General Internal Medicine at Lahey Hitchcock Northshore. Urticaria affects ten to 30 percent of the population in the United States at some time.

Hives can often be attributed to allergens, substances that produce an allergic reaction. "When someone is sensitive to a particular allergen, such as certain foods, drugs or insect bites, the body releases chemicals, including histamines," Dr. Driscoll says. "These chemicals dilate blood vessels causing inflammation, redness and itching."

Urticaria can be classified as acute (less than six weeks), chronic (greater than six weeks) or physical.

Acute urticaria is normally limited to one to seven days. Causes may include almost any type of drug; foods including shellfish, nuts, eggs, milk or berries; infections; insect stings or bites; plants; or inhaled pollens or chemicals. Your doctor is able to make the diagnosis based on evidence of exposure to an allergen and the presence of hives. Symptoms resolve once the offending agent is removed. However, in the majority of cases a cause is unidentified.

"Chronic urticaria requires more detective work," says Dr. Driscoll. "This might include blood tests, stool cultures and chest or sinus x-rays to look for underlying disease such as hepatitis, rheumatoid arthritis or thyroid disease."

Physical urticaria is sometimes seen

in people with sensitive skin. These individuals might develop hives from heat exposure after exercise, simple scratching, cold exposure or sometimes even water. Emotional stress has long been known to initiate or worsen many types of urticaria.

Anyone who develops urticaria of an unknown cause should be evaluated by their primary care physician. Itching and redness can be effectively treated with antihistamines including hydroxyzine (Atarax) or diphenhydramine (Benadryl). Oral steroids such as prednisone are reserved for a more severe reaction. Difficulty breathing or dizziness can be a sign of a severe allergic reaction which needs immediate medical attention.

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or laser vision surgery (see Winter 1997 *Lahey Hitchcock Health Letter* for more on laser vision correction).

Cataracts: "Everyone will get cataracts if they live long enough," says Richard Petrone, O.D., optometrist at the Lahey Hitchcock Eye Institute at Lahey Hitchcock Northshore in Peabody, "but not everyone gets to the point of having them removed." A cataract, which is a clouding of the eye's lens, is easily observed during a typical eye exam. "Cataract surgery is recommended only when the patient's vision and quality of life would significantly improve," says Dr. Petrone. Usually performed on an outpatient basis, cataract surgery involves removing the clouded lens and replacing it with a plastic intraocular lens.

Glaucoma: Two to three million Americans have glaucoma, or elevated pressure inside the eye. If untreated, it causes damage to the optic nerve and loss of vision.

The most common type, chronic open-angle glaucoma, occurs with a build up of aqueous humor. This clear liquid is constantly being produced and fills the space in front of and behind the pupil. Under normal conditions, aqueous humor drains through the "angle" of the eye. Pressure is increased if the drainage becomes less efficient. Commonly, glaucoma has no symptoms until its late stages and detection involves a three-part test:

1. Tonometry—a measure of intraocular (inside the eye) pressure.
2. Ophthalmoscopy—viewing the back of the eye to evaluate the optic nerve head and inspection of the drainage angle.
3. Visual field test—a check for "blind spots" in peripheral (side) vision. This is done only if the eye doctor suspects that visual field has been lost due to glaucoma or to establish a base line finding for future comparison.

Treatment of glaucoma usually begins with eyedrops that lower the pressure by either reducing the rate of production of aqueous humor or increasing the rate of its removal. If eyedrops or other drug therapies don't



control the pressure, laser surgery may be used to enlarge the drain.

"Age is the greatest risk factor for glaucoma," says Dr. Petrone. "Others at increased risk include those with a family history of glaucoma, African-Americans, Asian-Americans, people with diabetes, myopia, high blood pressure or those taking steroid medication."

Macular Degeneration: The center area of the retina, or macula, enables us to see sharp details. Macular degeneration is a disturbance of this area and results in distorted vision. Symptoms include blurry vision, straight lines that appear wavy, and a dark area in the center of vision.

"Dry" macular degeneration, which accounts for 90 percent of cases, is a thinning of the macular tissue and is caused by aging. There is no treatment, but sunglasses may help by decreasing exposure to ultraviolet light. Also, although controversial, antioxidant vitamins (A, C, E and beta carotene) and some minerals (zinc and selenium) may help slow the disease. According to the American Academy of Ophthalmology, there is no definitive evidence linking dietary supplements to macular degeneration, although a study is in progress.

The "wet" form of macular degeneration is caused by abnormal growth and leakage of blood vessels behind the retina leading to swelling of the macula. Laser surgery may be used to seal off or destroy the leaking vessels.

Possible risk factors include smoking, diets high in fat and cholesterol and unprotected exposure to ultraviolet light.

Detached Retina: Wherever the retina physically separates from the back of the eye, there is no vision and, if left untreated, a retinal detachment can lead to total blindness.

Retinal detachment can be caused by trauma or aging. As the eye ages, the vitreous humor becomes more watery and decreases in ability to stabilize the eye. Because of this instability it can lightly pull on the retina which produces a flash of light. If a hole is created, leaking fluid could separate the layers of the retina.

"If you experience flashing lights or lightning streaks in your vision, a sudden increase in dark floating spots, or the appearance of a curtain coming down over your vision, seek immediate treatment," says Dr. Petrone. "A small hole or tear can often be treated with a laser or by cryotherapy (freezing) and we can prevent greater damage with early treatment."

Diabetic Retinopathy: Diabetes is the leading cause of blindness in people ages 25 to 74 in the United States. Each year, over 15,000 people lose their sight because of complication of this disease. According to Dr. Rathjens, "Diabetes can at first lead to minor bleeding, or hemorrhages, of the retina. In later stages, fluid can accumulate at the macula, new unhealthy blood vessels may develop and, if left unchecked and untreated [typically, with a laser procedure], permanent loss of vision may result." Routine yearly eye care for diabetics is essential.

Floaters: Floaters are the small specs that move across the field of vision, especially noticeable when you're looking at a light background. They are usually the result of aging due to a natural breakdown in the vitreous humor.

"Everyone gets floaters," says Dr. Petrone. "Unless you have a sudden onset of many dark spots in your vision, they are not cause for concern."

For an appointment at Lahey Hitchcock Eye Center at Symmes, call 617-641-7811. For an appointment at the Eye Institute at Lahey Hitchcock Northshore, or at Lahey Hitchcock Medical Center, call 617-744-3250.

Screening for Prostate Cancer

According to American Cancer Society estimates, approximately 334,000 men in the United States will be diagnosed with prostate cancer in 1997 and 41,000 will die from it. After lung cancer, prostate cancer is the second leading cause of cancer deaths in American men.

"The incidence of prostate cancer increases with age and life expectancy is going up," says John J. Smith III, M.D., urologist at Lahey Hitchcock Medical Center. "This presents a major challenge, as we don't know what causes prostate cancer and there are no measures for prevention. While genetic studies and molecular research continue, the best we can do is detect the disease early."

Risk Factors

Over 80 percent of all prostate cancers are diagnosed in men older than age 65 and African-Americans have the highest incidence in the world. Most experts recommend that annual screening for African-Americans start at age 45. Men who have a family history of prostate cancer, such as a brother or a father with the disease—particularly if they died of prostate cancer before the age of 70—should also begin annual screening at age 45. All men 50 and older should be screened annually.

Screening Methods

Until the early 1980s, the standard initial test for prostate cancer was the digital rectal examination in which the doctor manually feels for tumors in the prostate gland. Earlier detection is now possible with the prostate-specific antigen (PSA) blood test which measures concentration of a protein produced by prostate tissue.

"We know that the window of time to cure prostate cancer is related to the volume of disease, and with the PSA test we're able to detect disease that is microscopic," says Dr. Smith. "However, there are problems with the PSA test because it's not cancer specific and a high count doesn't necessarily indicate cancer." High PSA numbers may also be the result of a benign prostatic enlargement, an infection or prostatitis (inflamed prostate gland) from trauma.

As men age, it is normal for the prostate gland to get larger. As the prostate enlarges, epithelial cells increase, resulting in higher numbers of prostate-specific antigens.

Watchful Waiting

Because all prostate cancer treatments carry risks and negative side effects, some experts recommend observation, or watchful waiting, beginning treatment only when the cancer reaches a more advanced state. "We know the disease is going to progress," says Dr. Smith. "The issue is how fast, how soon and how is the treatment going to impact the patient's quality of life."

"There are cases when observation makes sense," says Dr.

Smith. Prostate cancer cells can be classified with Gleason grades which describe the architectural patterns of the cells. As the cancer increases in size and changes its cellular nature, these grades go up. "We wait and watch patients who have normal PSAs with low Gleason grades who have a life expectancy of less than ten years and or who have other medical conditions that would preclude treatment."

"We have to come up with a better, more accurate, more specific test so we can tell the difference between what's benign prostate and what's cancer. And I think that's just a few years away," he says.

Normal Counts by Age for Prostate-Specific Antigens

Age	PSA up to:
40 to 49	2.5
50 to 59	3.5
60 to 69	4.5

Treatment Options

Decisions regarding treatment are influenced by the patient's age, life expectancy, other medical conditions, and the patient's wishes after reviewing the risks and complications of each therapy.

For a patient with localized prostate cancer (cancer that hasn't spread to lymph nodes or the bone) and a life expectancy of more than ten years, surgical removal or radiation therapies may be recommended.

Surgical techniques have advanced greatly over the past ten years and preserving nerves that affect urinary control and sexual function is more successful. "Nerve preservation is influenced by age," says Dr. Smith. About 50 percent of men in their 50s retain potency. Of those more than 65 years old, 75 percent become impotent. The rate of patients who experience permanent problems with urinary control after surgery is four to six percent. Even for those who lose potency, the orgasmic function is preserved and there are various therapies that can restore erectile function.

External-beam radiation has also improved greatly with the use of three-dimensional treatment planning and conformal therapy, which precisely targets the tumor while minimizing the dose to surrounding normal tissue. Side effects may include bowel injury and a 50 percent or greater risk of impotence.

Brachytherapy is another treatment approach in which radioactive material is implanted directly into the tumor. "Ultrasound-guided implantation permits highly accurate placement of high dose radiation," says Glenn A. Healey, M.D., radiation oncologist at Lahey Hitchcock Medical Center.

"Most patients are treated with the traditional seed implant, in which radioactive seeds are placed in the prostate. Others are eligible for an implant technique called the high dose rate (HDR) radiation implant."

Hormone therapy and chemotherapy are used in more advanced cases.

For an appointment in the Department of Urology, call 617-744-3250.

DIET AND HYPERTENSION: HOW TO LOWER THE PRESSURE

For years, health experts have known that a number of lifestyle factors, such as smoking, salt intake, alcohol consumption, body weight, exercise and stress, can affect blood pressure. Now, a recent study has shown that food choices also can make a big difference.

A Pressing Problem

Blood pressure is the force created by the heart as it pumps blood through the circulatory system. It is usually expressed as two numbers. The systolic blood pressure is the pressure of blood flow at the moment the heart beats, and the diastolic pressure is the pressure between the heartbeats. Blood pressure is measured in millimeters of mercury, abbreviated mm Hg. A systolic pressure of approximately 120 mm Hg and a diastolic pressure of approximately 80 mm Hg (120/80 mm Hg) is considered optimal and anything over 140/90 mm Hg is considered high.

High blood pressure, or hypertension, can have a number of harmful effects throughout the body. It can injure the inner walls of arteries, accelerating the development of atherosclerosis (narrowing of the arteries). When atherosclerosis affects the coronary arteries, it can deprive the heart muscle of blood, causing chest pain (angina) and even a heart attack. When it affects the carotid arteries, which supply blood to the brain, it can cause a stroke. High blood pressure can also damage the kidneys and other organs.

Controlling Hypertension

According to Ann M. Morvai, M.D., at Cambridge Family Practice in Arlington, more than 43 million Americans are affected by hypertension. Doctors usually diagnose hypertension when a blood pressure reading greater than 140/90 is recorded on at least three separate occasions. The doctor must also distinguish between primary or "essential" hypertension from secondary hypertension, which is hypertension caused by other medical conditions, such as kidney disease or a

tumor of the adrenal gland.

"For a mild case of essential hypertension in patients with no other risk factors for heart disease, the first line of therapy is modifying lifestyle factors and closely monitoring blood pressure," says Dr. Morvai. Consider the following:

- Cigarette smoking can raise blood pressure by constricting blood vessels, and stopping smoking can help alleviate hypertension.
- For some patients, cutting back on salt may lower blood pressure.
- Excessive alcohol consumption is associated with hypertension. The American Heart Association recommends limiting daily alcohol consumption to no more than two ounces – roughly the equivalent of two alcoholic beverages.
- Obesity contributes to high blood pressure and weight loss can lower it. By some estimates, losing two pounds of body weight can lower blood pressure by 1 to 2 mm Hg.
- Regular aerobic exercise (such as jogging, bicycling, swimming or walking) has been shown to lower blood pressure.
- Long-term stress appears to contribute to hypertension, and relaxation training may help to alleviate it.

Those patients who are unable to make significant changes or who don't respond adequately to lifestyle modifications after three to six months, usually need to be treated with medication as well. There is now a wide variety of medications for treating high blood pressure. Unfortunately, all of them have the potential to produce unwanted side effects.

Add a DASH of Diet . . .

Recently, researchers concluded that another lifestyle change can lower blood pressure—diet. The Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension (DASH) study, published

DASH STUDY:
Changes in Blood Pressure Within Two Weeks

	Control Diet	Fruit and Vegetable Rich Diet	Combination Diet
	Typical American Diet	Added fruits and vegetables, high fiber, fewer snacks and sweets.	Diet rich in fruits and vegetables, high in fiber and low-fat dairy foods; reduced saturated fats and cholesterol.
Average Change in Blood Pressure Compared to Control Diet Subjects	No change	Systolic: -2.8 mm Hg Diastolic: -1.1 mm Hg	Systolic: -5.5 mm Hg Diastolic: -3.0 mm Hg

in the *New England Journal of Medicine*, found that a diet rich in fruits, vegetables and low-fat dairy products and low in fat, saturated fat and cholesterol, can lower mildly elevated blood pressure as effectively as a blood pressure drug.

The study assessed the effects of diet on blood pressure in 459 adults who had systolic blood pressures of less than 160 mm Hg and diastolic blood pressures of 80 to 95 mm Hg. The participants were randomly assigned to one of three groups for a period of eight weeks. One group received a "control" diet similar to the average American diet, which is low in fruits, vegetables and dairy products, and relatively high in fat. The second group followed a diet that was rich in fruits and vegetables. The third group went on a "combination" diet that was not only rich in fruits, vegetables and low-fat dairy products, but also low in saturated fat and total fat. All three diets allowed for moderate sodium intake and alcohol consumption. (For more information on the DASH diet, open Internet URL <http://dash.bwh.harvard.edu/>.)

The combination diet was especially effective in those who were hypertensive to begin with. It lowered their systolic blood pressure by 11.4 mm Hg and their diastolic pressure by 5.5 mm Hg. The authors of the study point out that these reductions were similar to those brought about by treating mild hypertension with a single drug. They suggest that this diet might prevent or delay the need for medication.

The combination diet did not modify the usual risk factors for hypertension. Participants did not cut back on salt or alcohol intake, exercise more or try to lose weight. So, why should it work? Researchers believe that part of the key was what was missing—fat. They also believe that the minerals potassium, magnesium and calcium, found in fruits, vegetables and dairy products may lower blood pressure as well.

Can the average American learn to eat a diet that calls for eight to ten servings of fruits and vegetables each day? It may not be as difficult as it sounds, says Diane Bleday, M.S., R.D., a nutritionist at Lahey Hitchcock Medical Center. "Eight to ten servings may sound like a lot," she says, "but a serving equals a small-to-medium piece of fruit and half a cup of vegetables. When most people have vegetables, they have a whole cup, so that would count as two servings. Much of the fruit we eat is large. A very large orange might count as two servings."

According to Ms. Bleday, reducing blood pressure is not the only advantage. "It's a diet that's advocated not just for hypertension, but also to prevent clogging of the arteries and to prevent cancer."

"It makes sense for people, with or without hypertension, to eat this way," Dr. Morvai says, "but the word 'diet' can have a negative effect on people. They think they'll have to follow strict guidelines, it won't be fun or easy, and it won't taste very good. I call it healthy eating, which is fun, easy and quite delicious."

For the telephone number of a community practice near you, call 617-744-3413.

To see a nutritionist, have your primary care physician request an appointment. Call 617-744-3250.

BIKE AND BLADE SAFETY

As the popularity of in-line skating continues to grow, so do visits to the emergency room by skaters. "In sheer numbers, we see more problems relating to in-line skating than bicycle accidents," says Michael S. Erdos, M.D., a physician in the Department of Emergency Medicine at Lahey Hitchcock Medical Center. "Serious injuries could be reduced if people would wear protective gear."

Helmets plus knee, elbow and wrist protection are critical for skaters, especially for those who lack experience or skate with excessive speed. "Without protective gear, the incidence of wrist fractures and serious abrasions increases. I also recommend knee and elbow protection for younger, inexperienced cyclists," says Dr. Erdos.

Wear a Helmet!

By law, children 12 years old and younger who operate or are passengers on a bicycle must wear a helmet. Of course, helmets offer vital protection for everyone. "The worst bicycle accident injuries we see are head injuries that, in many cases, could have been avoided if the rider had been wearing a helmet," says Dr. Erdos.

A study recently published in the *Journal of the American Medical Association* reviewed 3,390 cyclists (emergency room patients), of whom 22 percent had suffered head injuries.

In all age ranges, bike helmets reduced the risk for head or brain injury by at least 49 percent. The risk of severe brain injury was reduced by 74 percent. In another study on serious facial injury, researchers concluded that "helmets offer substantial protection for the upper and mid-face in addition to their known protection against head injuries."

- When shopping for a child's helmet let them make the choice, especially with respect to style and fit.
- Don't buy a helmet that is too big so they can grow into it. A helmet too large will not offer adequate protection.
- Be sure the chin strap is always fastened.
- Choose a helmet that has a Snell Memorial Foundation or American National Standards Institute (ANSI) seal of approval.
- Have young children ride on a bike path or an area free of automobile traffic.
- Always ride with traffic, not against it.
- Don't assume that drivers know you're there or how fast you can go. They may turn in front of you, thinking they'll be out of your way in time.

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YOU ASKED

Question: What is a ganglion cyst?

Answer: A ganglion cyst (also known as a synovial cyst) is a fluid-filled lump near a joint on the hand or wrist. According to Steven W. Margles, M.D., hand surgeon at Lahey Hitchcock Medical Center, a ganglion cyst often appears suddenly, tends to be firm and may fluctuate in size.

Joints are lined with tissue called the synovial membrane which produces a thick fluid for lubrication. Sometimes this membrane balloons out and the pocket created fills with synovial fluid to form a cyst.

"Synovial cysts are the most common lump on the hand," says Dr. Margles. "They most often occur on the back of the hand at the wrist, but

you can also get them on the palm side at the wrist, or at the base of a finger." A similar lump, called a mucous cyst may appear at the last joint of a finger.

It is not known what causes synovial cysts and they usually aren't painful. For those who experience a degree of pain, it is occasionally sharp and usually associated with bending the wrist all the way in one direction or the other.

Because mucous cysts at the last joint of the finger pose risk of spontaneous rupture and infection, they should not be aspirated or "popped." Surgical removal is frequently successful.

If a cyst on the wrist causes intermittent pain, a wrist splint will usually control the symptoms. Some cysts go away on their own.

"Surgical excision is indicated only

when people have had the ganglion for more than six months and it bothers them so much—either because it's painful, or they can't tolerate the lump—that they are willing to go through a significant operation." Dr. Margles says.

Surgery requires a regional anesthetic and involves going down past the tendons, opening the joint envelope and removing the ganglion from the ligament. After the procedure, patients are in a cast for 15 days and have to keep their hand elevated. Exercise is needed to restore normal flexibility.

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